



Office of Benton County

Mayor Mark Ward

BENTON COUNTY TENNESSEE

21 North Forrest Avenue
Camden, TN 38320

August 17, 2026

TO: Board of County Commissioners

FROM: Mark Ward, County Mayor

The Board of Benton County Commissioners will meet in regular session on **Monday, August 17, 2026** at the Benton County Courthouse at **6:00 P.M.**

AGENDA

- I. Opening of Meeting by Sheriff or his appointee.
- II. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Roll Call by County Clerk or Chief Deputy
- IV. Announcing of Quorum by County Clerk, Wanda Malin
 - 1) Approval of Agenda
 - 2) Citizens Forum
 - 3) Commissioners Forum
 - 4) County Mayor, Attorney, Finance Advisor or Proclamations
 - 5) Airport Grant Presentation
 - 6) Approval of Minutes
 - 7) Report of Public Utilities
 - 8) **A RESOLUTION by DOS Mark Florence to budget funds in the amount of \$51,267.82 from the Public School Construction & Maintenance Grant received at the end of the last fiscal year. (20260817-01)**
 - 9) **A RESOLUTION by DOS Mark Florence to move funds in the amount of \$9,300.00 within the school's budget. (20260817-02)**

- 10) A RESOLUTION by DOS Mark Florence to budget funds received from West TN Healthcare in the amount of \$47,440.00 to proper line items in the school budget for expenditure. (20260817-03)
- 11) A RESOLUTION by DOS Mark Florence to budget funds in the amount of \$812.55 received from the state for Early Childhood Education (Voluntary Pre-K), to the school's budget. (20260817-04)
- 12) A RESOLUTION by DOS Mark Florence, to appropriate and budget funds in the amount of \$217,500.00 to the school's nutrition budget. (20260817-05)
- 13) A RESOLUTION by Sheriff Kenny Christopher to appropriate and budget funds in the amount of \$21,783.33 to proper expenditure line items within the Sheriff's Budget to fund installing a video workstation for the Sheriff's Office due to expiration of BVMS maintenance coverage and licensing fees up to date with Securitas Technology. (20260817-06)
- 14) A RESOLUTION by Sheriff Ken Christopher to budget funds in the amount of \$150.00 received from the Sex Offenders Registry to appropriate line items in the Sheriff's budget for expenditure. (20260817-07)
- 15) A RESOLUTION by Sheriff Ken Christopher, to budget funds in the amount of \$ 12,500.00 received from the TLETA Cost Sharing Grant to an expenditure line item to allow for proper expenditure. (20260817-08)
- 16) A RESOLUTION by Sheriff Ken Christopher to budget funds in the amount of \$1,324.45 received from insurance payments on damaged sheriff department vehicles to an expenditure line item to allow for proper expenditure. (20260817-09)
- 17) A RESOLUTION by Sheriff Ken Christopher to budget funds in the amount of \$375.00 received from miscellaneous sources to proper line items for expenditure. (20260817-10)
- 18) A RESOLUTION by Sheriff Ken Christopher to budget funds in the amount of \$ 200.00 received from Damages Recovered from Individuals. (20260817-11)
- 19) A RESOLUTION by Sheriff Ken Christopher to budget funds in the amount of \$775.00 received from miscellaneous sources to proper line items for expenditure. (20260817-12)
- 20) A RESOLUTION of Order appointing Angie Hern as commissioner for the North Utility District of Decatur and Benton Counties, Tennessee to serve a four (4) year term expiring April 2030. (20260817-13)
- 21) A RESOLUTION by Mayor Mark Ward, to reappoint Mr. Ray Wilson to the Benton County Electric System Board for a 4-year term. (20260817-14)
- 22) A RESOLUTION by Mayor Mark Ward to budget funds received from airport grants in the amount of \$257,869.51 to the airport's budget. (20260817-15)
- 23) A RESOLUTION by Benton County Mayor Mark Ward to appoint Heather Drexler to the Benton County Animal Shelter Board for a three (3) year term. (20260817-16)

- 24) A RESOLUTION authorizing the return of unexpended school resource office (SRO) grant funds in the amount of \$30,117.76 to the State of Tennessee by appropriating funds for the same. (20260817-17)**
- 25) A RESOLUTION by Benton County Mayor Mark Ward to declare one (1) county owned vehicle, in possession of the Animal Shelter, as surplus property for the purpose of public sale. (20260817-18)**
- 26) A RESOLUTION by Mayor Mark Ward to budget funds in the amount of \$1,582.00 received from courtroom security fees to proper expenditure line items within the sheriff's budget, in order to fund required training for Bailiffs/Court Security. (20260817-19)**
- 27) A RESOLUTION by Mayor Mark Ward, to appoint Sam Jones to the Benton County Civil Service Board for a four (4) term beginning September 1, 2026 and ending September 1, 2030. (20260817-20)**
- 28) A RESOLUTION TO INCREASE THE COMPENSATION FOR BENTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR ATTENDANCE AT SCHEDULED COMMISSION MEETINGS AND STANDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS. (20260817-21)**
- 29) Appointing Notaries**
- 30) Any Other Business**
- 31) Adjourn**

RESOLUTION NO. 20260817-01

SPONSORED BY BENTON COUNTY DOS MARK FLORENCE

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: BUDGET COMMITTEE

August 17, 2026

A RESOLUTION by DOS Mark Florence to budget funds in the amount of \$51,267.82 from the Public School Construction & Maintenance Grant received at the end of the last fiscal year.

WHEREAS: The Benton County Board of Education received the Public School Construction & Maintenance Grant at the end of the last fiscal year;

THEREFORE: Be it resolved by the Benton County Board of Commissioners to approve the following changes within the 2026-27 budget as follows;

DECREASE

39000	Fund Balance	\$51,267.82
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INCREASE

76100 707	Capital Outlay Building Improvements	\$51,267.82
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Upon a Motion by _____ Seconded by _____
On a Roll Call Vote _____ Voted AYE _____ Voted NAY _____ Passed
_____ Absent

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

COUNTY MAYOR, MARK WARD

COUNTY CLERK, WANDA MALIN

RESOLUTION NO. 20260817-02

SPONSORED BY BENTON COUNTY DIRECTOR OF SCHOOLS MARK FLORENCE

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: BUDGET COMMITTEE

August 17, 2026

A RESOLUTION by DOS Mark Florence to move funds in the amount of \$9,300.00 within the school's budget.

WHEREAS: The estimate of expenditures was not enough to meet the necessary expenditures for certain subsidiary items in the primary series in the School Budget;

THEREFORE: Be it resolved by the Benton County Board of Commissioners to approve the following changes within the 2026-27 budget as follows;

INCREASE

72210 105	Supervisor of Instruction	\$9,100.00
72410 139	Assistant Principal	200.00

DECREASE

71100 116	Teachers	\$9,300.00
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Upon a Motion by _____ Seconded by _____
On a Roll Call Vote _____ Voted AYE _____ Voted NAY _____ Passed _____ Absent _____

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

COUNTY MAYOR, MARK WARD

COUNTY CLERK, WANDA MALIN

RESOLUTION NO. 20260817-03

SPONSORED BY BENTON COUNTY DOS MARK FLORENCE

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: BUDGET COMMITTEE

August 17, 2026

A RESOLUTION by DOS Mark Florence to budget funds received from West TN Healthcare in the amount of \$47,440.00 to proper line items in the school budget for expenditure.

WHEREAS: The Benton County Board of Education received a donation from West TN Healthcare;

THEREFORE: Be it resolved by the Benton County Board of Commissioners to approve the following changes within the 2026-27 budget as follows;

INCREASE

44570	Contributions & Donations	\$47,440.00
76100 399	Capital Outlay Contracted Services	\$47,440.00

Upon a Motion by _____ Seconded by _____

On a Roll Call Vote _____ Voted AYE _____ Voted NAY _____ Passed _____ Absent _____

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

COUNTY MAYOR, MARK WARD

COUNTY CLERK, WANDA MALIN

RESOLUTION NO. 20260817-04

SPONSORED BY BENTON COUNTY DIRECTOR OF SCHOOLS MARK FLORENCE

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: BUDGET COMMITTEE

August 17, 2026

A RESOLUTION by DOS Mark Florence to budget funds in the amount of \$812.55 received from the state for Early Childhood Education (Voluntary Pre-K), to the school's budget.

WHEREAS: The Benton County Board of Education received state funds for Early Childhood Education (Voluntary PreK);

THEREFORE: Be it resolved by the Benton County Board of Commissioners to approve the following changes within the 2026-27 budget as follows;

INCREASE

46515 VPK	Early Childhood Education	\$812.55
73400 207	Employee Insurance	\$812.55

Upon a Motion by _____ Seconded by _____

On a Roll Call Vote _____ Voted AYE _____ Voted NAY _____ Passed _____ Absent _____

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

COUNTY MAYOR, MARK WARD

COUNTY CLERK, WANDA MALIN

RESOLUTION NO. 20260817-05

SPONSORED BY BENTON COUNTY DOS MARK FLORENCE

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: BUDGET COMMITTEE

August 17, 2026

A RESOLUTION by DOS Mark Florence, to appropriate and budget funds in the amount of \$217,500.00 to the school's nutrition budget.

WHEREAS: The estimate of expenditures was not enough to meet the one-time expenditures for certain subsidiary items in the Benton County School Nutrition budget;

THEREFORE: Be it resolved by the Benton County Board of Commissioners to approve the following budget amendment:

DECREASE - Revenue

34570	Fund Balance	\$ 217,500.00
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INCREASE - Expenditures

73100 710	Food Service Equipment	\$ 217,500.00
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Upon a Motion by _____ Seconded by _____

On a Roll Call Vote _____ Voted AYE _____ Voted NAY _____ Passed _____ Absent _____

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

COUNTY MAYOR, MARK WARD

COUNTY CLERK, WANDA MALIN

RESOLUTION NO. 20260817-06

SPONSORED BY BENTON COUNTY SHERIFF KEN CHRISTOPHER

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: LAW ENFORCEMENT & BUDGET COMMITTEES

August 17, 2026

A RESOLUTION by Sheriff Kenny Christopher to appropriate and budget funds in the amount of \$21,783.33 to proper expenditure line items within the Sheriff's Budget to fund installing a video workstation for the Sheriff's Office due to expiration of BVMS maintenance coverage and licensing fees up to date with Securitas Technology.

WHEREAS, Benton County Sheriff's Office has entered into an agreement with Securitas Technology and Brian Williams CISSP to provide the equipment and services; and,

WHEREAS, it will be necessary to appropriate funds in the amount of \$21,783.33 into the appropriate line items with the Sheriff's budget in order to cover the approved purchases,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this 17th day of August, 2026 that funds in the amount of \$21,783.33 be appropriated and budgeted in the following manner:

DECREASE REVENUES:

101.39000	Unassigned Fund Balance	\$21,783.33
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INCREASE ESPENDITURES:

101.54110.709	Data Processing Equipment	\$20,783.33
101.54110.317	Data Processing Services (Brian Williams, CISSP)	\$ 1,000.00

Upon a Motion by _____ Seconded by _____

On a Roll Call Vote _____ Voted Aye _____ Voted Naye _____ Passed _____ Absent

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

COUNTY MAYOR, MARK WARD

COUNTY CLERK, WANDA MALIN

Resolution NO. 20260817-07

SPONSORED BY BENTON COUNTY SHERIFF KEN CHRISTOPHER

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: BUDGET & LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEES

August 17, 2026

A RESOLUTION by Sheriff Ken Christopher to budget funds in the amount of \$150.00 received from the Sex Offenders Registry to appropriate line items in the Sheriff's budget for expenditure.

WHEREAS, it will be necessary to budget said revenues in the amount of \$150.00 to the appropriate expenditure accounts within the SOR budget, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this 17th day of August, 2026 that the funds in the amount of \$150.00 received by the Benton County Sheriff's Office for revenues to be budgeted as follows:

DECREASE REVENUES:

101.43395	Sexual Offender Registration Fee -- Sheriff	\$150.00
		\$150.00

INCREASE EXPENDITURES:

101.54160.599	Other Charges	\$100.00
101.54160.358	Remittance of Revenues	\$50.00
		\$150.00

Upon a Motion by _____ Seconded
by _____

On a Roll Call Vote _____ Voted AYE _____ Voted NAY _____ Passed
_____ Absent

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

COUNTY MAYOR, MARK WARD

COUNTY CLERK, WANDA MALIN

RESOLUTION NO. 20260817-08

SPONSORED BY BENTON COUNTY SHERIFF KEN CHRISTOPHER

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: BUDGET & LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEES

August 17, 2026

A RESOLUTION by Sheriff Ken Christopher, to budget funds in the amount of \$ 12,500.00 received from the TLETA Cost Sharing Grant to an expenditure line item to allow for proper expenditure.

WHEREAS, the Benton County Sheriff's Office has received revenues in the amount of \$12,500.00 from a TLETA cost sharing grant; and

WHEREAS, it will be necessary to budget said revenues in the amount of \$12,500.00 to the appropriate expenditure line item for payment to Deputies (5) within the Sheriff's Department Budget.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this the 17th day of August, 2026 that the funds in the amount of \$12,500.00 received by the Benton County Sheriff's Office be budgeted as follows:

DECREASE REVENUES:

101.47250	Law Enforcement Grants	\$12,500.00
		\$12,500.00

INCREASE EXPENDITURES:

101.54110.140	Salary Supplements	\$12,500.00
		\$12,500.00

Upon a Motion by _____ Seconded by _____
On a Roll Call Vote _____ Voted AYE _____ Voted NAY _____ Passed _____ Absent _____

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

COUNTY MAYOR, MARK WARD

COUNTY CLERK, WANDA MALIN

RESOLUTION NO. 20260817-09

SPONSORED BY THE BENTON COUNTY SHERIFF KENNY CHRISTOPHER

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: BUDGET COMMITTEE & LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEES

August 17, 2026

A RESOLUTION by Sheriff Ken Christopher to budget funds in the amount of \$1,324.45 received from insurance payments on damaged sheriff department vehicles to an expenditure line item to allow for proper expenditure.

WHEREAS, Payments in the amount of \$1,324.45 have been received from insurance reimbursements on wrecked vehicles; and,

WHEREAS, it is necessary to move said funds into an expenditure line item for proper expenditure, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this 17th day of August, 2026 that funds be budgeted as follows:

Decrease Fund Balance:	Amount:
101.49700 Insurance Recovery	\$1,324.45
	\$1,324.45
Increase Expenditures:	Amount:
101.58400.338 Maintenance and Repair of Vehicles	\$1,324.45
	\$1,324.45

Upon a Motion by _____ Seconded
by _____
On a Roll Call Vote _____ Voted AYE _____ Voted NAY _____ Passed
_____ Absent

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

COUNTY MAYOR, MARK WARD

COUNTY CLERK, WANDA MALIN

RESOLUTION NO. 20260817-10

SPONSORED BY BENTON COUNTY SHERIFF KENNY CHRISTOPHER

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: BUDGET & LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEES

August 17, 2026

A RESOLUTION by Sheriff Ken Christopher to budget funds in the amount of \$375.00 received from miscellaneous sources to proper line items for expenditure.

WHEREAS, the Benton County Sheriff's Office has received revenues in the amount of \$375.00 for the month of June, 2026; and

WHEREAS, it will be necessary to budget said revenues in the amount of \$375.00 to the appropriate expenditure accounts within Sheriff Department Budget.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this the 17th day of August, 2026 that the funds in the amount of \$375.00 received by the Benton County Sheriff's Office for revenues for the month of June, 2026 be budgeted as follows.

DECREASE REVENUES:

101.44170	Miscellaneous Refunds-(Tow Bill)	\$375.00
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\$375.00

INCREASE EXPENDITURES:

101.54110.353	Towing Services	\$375.00
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\$375.00

Upon a Motion by _____ Seconded by _____
On a Roll Call Vote _____ Voted Aye _____ Voted Naye _____ Passed _____
Absent _____

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

COUNTY MAYOR, MARK WARD

COUNTY CLERK, WANDA MALIN

RESOLUTION NO. 20260817-11

SPONSORED BY BENTON COUNTY SHERIFF KEN CHRISTOPHER

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: BUDGET & LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEES

August 17, 2026

A RESOLUTION by Sheriff Ken Christopher to budget funds in the amount of \$ 200.00 received from Damages Recovered from Individuals.

WHEREAS, the Benton County Sheriff's Office has received revenues in the amount of \$200.00 for the month of July, 2026; and,

WHEREAS, it will be necessary to budget said revenues in the amount of \$200.00 to the appropriate expenditure accounts within the Benton County Jail's Department Budget.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this the 17th day of August, 2026 that the funds in the amount of \$200.00 received by the Benton County Sheriff's Office for revenues for the month of July, 2026 be budgeted as follows.

DECREASE REVENUES:

101.44560	Damages Recovered from Individuals	\$200.00
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\$200.00

INCREASE EXPENDITURES:

101.54210.499	Other Supplies & Materials-Jail	\$200.00
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\$200.00

Upon a Motion by _____ Seconded by _____

On a Roll Call Vote _____ Voted Aye _____ Voted Nay _____ Passed _____ Absent _____

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

COUNTY MAYOR, MARK WARD

COUNTY CLERK, WANDA MALIN

RESOLUTION NO. 20260817-12

SPONSORED BY BENTON COUNTY SHERIFF KENNY CHRISTOPHER

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: BUDGET & LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEES

August 17, 2026

A RESOLUTION by Sheriff Ken Christopher to budget funds in the amount of \$775.00 received from miscellaneous sources to proper line items for expenditure.

WHEREAS, the Benton County Sheriff's Office has received revenues in the amount of \$775.00 for the month of July, 2026; and

WHEREAS, it will be necessary to budget said revenues in the amount of \$775.00 to the appropriate expenditure accounts within Sheriff Department Budget; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this the 17th day of August, 2026 that the funds in the amount of \$775.00 received by the Benton County Sheriff's Office for revenues for the month of July, 2026 be budgeted as follows.

DECREASE REVENUES:

101.44170	Miscellaneous Refunds-(Tow Bill)	\$775.00
		\$775.00

INCREASE EXPENDITURES:

101.54110.353	Towing Services	\$775.00
		\$775.00

Upon a Motion by _____ Seconded by _____
On a Roll Call Vote _____ Voted Aye _____ Voted Naye _____ Passed _____
_____ Absent

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

COUNTY MAYOR, MARK WARD

COUNTY CLERK, WANDA MALIN

RESOLUTION NO. 20260817-13

SPONSORED BY BENTON COUNTY MAYOR MARK WARD

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: NONE

August 17, 2026

A RESOLUTION of Order appointing Angie Hern as commissioner for the North Utility District of Decatur and Benton Counties, Tennessee to serve a four (4) year term expiring April 2030.

WHEREAS, Pursuant to T.C.A. § 7-82-307(a), the Commissioners of The North Utility District of Decatur and Benton Counties, Tennessee certified to the County Mayor of Benton County, Tennessee a list of three nominees in order of preference to fill commissioner position based upon the expired term of Angie Hern, a current commissioner whose term ends April 1, 2026. The new commissioner to be appointed will serve a four (4) year term, commencing on April 1, 2026 and ending April 1, 2030; and,

WHEREAS, said position is currently filled by a resident of Benton County, Tennessee, and the appointee shall be a resident of the same county as the appointee's predecessor.

WHEREAS, pursuant to said statue and from the list of nominees certified to me by the District, I appoint ANGIE HERN, a resident of Benton County, Tennessee, as Commissioner to fill the term commencing April 1, 2026 and ending April 1, 2030.

WHEREAS, A copy of this Order shall be spread upon the minutes of the County Commission for Benton County, Tennessee, and the Clerk is directed to provide a certified copy to the Board of Commissioners of the District and to the appointee.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this 17th day of August, 2026 that Angie Hern be appointed to a position on the North Utility District of Decatur and Benton Counties Board, to serve a four-year term ending April 2030.

Upon a Motion by _____ Seconded
by _____
On a Roll Call Vote _____ Voted AYE _____ Voted NAY _____ Passed
_____ Absent

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

COUNTY MAYOR, MARK WARD

COUNTY CLERK, WANDA MALIN

RESOLUTION NO. 20260817-14

SPONSORED BY BENTON COUNTY MAYOR MARK WARD

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: NONE

August 17, 2026

A RESOLUTION by Mayor Mark Ward, to reappoint Mr. Ray Wilson to the Benton County Electric System Board for a 4-year term.

WHEREAS, due to the upcoming expiration of his term, Mr. Ray Wilson will need to be reappointed to this position; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Wilson has served multiple consecutive and nonconsecutive terms as a citizen on our board and is willing to serve another term. He is retired from TVA, and has a great understanding of the electric system and its operation and takes great pride in his service to Benton County. He is also well respected in the community.

WHEREAS, Benton County Mayor Mark Ward requests that Ray Wilson be reappointed to the Benton County Electric System Board for a 4-year term, beginning upon the expiration of his current term, September 18, 2026; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this the 17th Day of August, 2026 that Ray Wilson be reappointed to a 4-year term on the Benton County Electric System Board.

Upon a Motion by _____ Seconded by _____
On a Roll Call Vote _____ Voted AYE _____ Voted NAY _____ Passed _____ Absent _____

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

COUNTY MAYOR, MARK WARD

COUNTY CLERK, WANDA MALIN

RESOLUTION NO. 20260817-15

SPONSORED BY BENTON COUNTY MAYOR MARK WARD

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: BUDGET & PROPERTY COMMITTEES

August 17, 2026

A RESOLUTION by Mayor Mark Ward to budget funds received from airport grants in the amount of \$257,869.51 to the airport's budget.

WHEREAS, the Benton County Airport has received reimbursement on various grants in the amount of **\$257,869.51** from the State of Tennessee. Grants being the Terminal Renovation Grant, Parking Lot Grant, and Windsock and Beacon Panel Grant.

WHEREAS, it is necessary and prudent to budget these funds to a proper line item to allow for expenditures;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this 17th day of August, 2026 that funds be budgeted as follows:

DECREASE:

189.47590	OTHER FEDERAL THROUGH STATE	\$ 257,869.51
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INCREASE:

189.91110.724	SITE DEVELOPMENT	\$ 257,869.51
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Upon a Motion by _____ Seconded by _____
On a Roll Call Vote _____ Voted AYE _____ Voted NAY _____ Passed _____ Absent _____

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

COUNTY MAYOR, MARK WARD

COUNTY CLERK, WANDA MALIN

RESOLUTION NO. 20260817-16

SPONSORED BY BENTON COUNTY MAYOR MARK WARD

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: NONE

August 17, 2026

A RESOLUTION by Benton County Mayor Mark Ward to appoint Heather Drexler to the Benton County Animal Shelter Board for a three (3) year term.

WHEREAS, it will be necessary to fill this position on the Benton County Animal Shelter Board, and;

WHEREAS, Benton County Mayor Mark Ward requests that Heather Drexler be appointed to the Benton County Animal Shelter Board with a three (3) year term ending August 2029,

~~NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED~~, By the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this 17th day of August, 2026 that Heather Drexler be appointed to a position on the Benton County Animal Shelter Board.

Upon a Motion by _____ Seconded by _____
On a Roll Call Vote _____ Voted AYE _____ Voted NAY _____ Passed _____ Absent _____

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

COUNTY MAYOR, MARK WARD

COUNTY CLERK, WANDA MALIN

RESOLUTION NO. 20260817-17

SPONSORED BY BENTON COUNTY SHERIFF KEN CHRISTOPHER

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: BUDGET & LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEES

August 17, 2026

A RESOLUTION authorizing the return of unexpended school resource office (SRO) grant funds in the amount of \$30,117.76 to the State of Tennessee by appropriating funds for the same.

WHEREAS, Benton County applied for and received a School Resource Officer (SRO) Grant from the State of Tennessee to support school safety initiatives within the local school system; and

WHEREAS, the funding period for said SRO grant has concluded, and a final fiscal reconciliation of the project account has been performed; and

WHEREAS, a balance of \$30,117.76 from the grant funds remains unspent and unobligated, leaving an exact sum of money that cannot legally be used for other local purposes and must be returned to the state granting agency; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Board of County Commissioners to maintain compliance with all state grant terms, closeout guidelines, and financial auditing standards;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee, assembled in regular session on this 17th day of August, 2026, that the return of the unspent SRO grant funds to the State of Tennessee is hereby formally authorized and approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Benton County Mayor, the Benton County Sheriff's Dept, and any other appropriate county financial officers are authorized to issue a refund check to the State of Tennessee for the exact unexpended amount and to sign all necessary state closeout documentation to finalize this action.

DECREASE REVENUES:

101.39000	Unassigned Fund Balance	\$30,117.76
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INCREASE EXPENDITURES:

101.54110.509	Other Charges -- Refunds	\$30,117.76
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Upon a Motion by _____ Seconded by _____

On a Roll Call Vote _____ Voted AYE _____ Voted NAY _____ Passed _____ Absent _____

APPROVED:

COUNTY MAYOR, MARK WARD

ATTEST:

COUNTY CLERK, WANDA MALIN

RESOLUTION NO. 20260817-18

SPONSORED BY BENTON COUNTY MAYOR MARK WARD

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: PROPERTY AND LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEES

August 17, 2026

A RESOLUTION by Benton County Mayor Mark Ward to declare one (1) county owned vehicle, in possession of the Animal Shelter, as surplus property for the purpose of public sale.

WHEREAS, one (1) county owned vehicle assigned to the Benton County Animal Shelter is no longer useful for county service; and

WHEREAS, Benton County Mayor Mark Ward requests that the commission declare this vehicle to be surplus property for the purpose of public sale; and

WHEREAS, this vehicle is listed as follows:

2001 Ford F150 – VIN# 1FTRF17W32KA94310

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this 17th day of August 2026 that the vehicle described above be declared surplus property for the purpose of public sale.

Upon a Motion by _____ Seconded by _____

On a Roll Call Vote _____ Voted AYE _____ Voted NAY _____ Passed _____ Absent _____

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

COUNTY MAYOR, MARK WARD

COUNTY CLERK, WANDA MALIN

RESOLUTION NO. 20260817-19

SPONSORED BY BENTON COUNTY MAYOR MARK WARD

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: BUDGET AND LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEES

August 17, 2026

A RESOLUTION by Mayor Mark Ward to budget funds in the amount of \$1,582.00 received from courtroom security fees to proper expenditure line items within the sheriff's budget, in order to fund required training for Bailiffs/Court Security.

WHEREAS, Benton County Courts have collected funds from courtroom security fees, and;

WHEREAS, the expenditure of these funds for required Bailiff/Courtroom Security Training is a prudent, proper and needed use of said funds; and,

WHEREAS, in order to properly place these funds, it is necessary to budget them into the proper expenditure line; _____

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this 17th day of August, 2026 that the following funds be budgeted as follows.

DECREASE

101.42591	COURTROOM SECURITY FEE	\$1582.00
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INCREASE

101.54110.524	IN SERVICE/STAFF DEVELOPMENT	\$650.00
101.54110.355	TRAVEL	\$932.00

TOTAL	\$1582.00
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Upon a Motion by _____ Seconded by _____
On a Roll Call Vote _____ Voted AYE _____ Voted NAY _____ Passed _____ Absent _____

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

COUNTY MAYOR, MARK WARD

COUNTY CLERK, WANDA MALIN

RESOLUTION NO. 20260817-20

SPONSORED BY BENTON COUNTY MAYOR MARK WARD

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: NONE

August 17, 2026

A RESOLUTION by Mayor Mark Ward, to appoint Sam Jones to the Benton County Civil Service Board for a four (4) term beginning September 1, 2026 and ending September 1, 2030.

WHEREAS, due to a vacancy on the Benton County Civil Service Board, it will be necessary and prudent to fill this vacancy for a four (4) term; and,

WHEREAS, Sam Jones is a talented and honorable citizen of Benton County, and has expressed a willingness to serve our community, and;

WHEREAS, Benton County Mayor Mark Ward requests that Sam Jones be appointed to the Benton County Civil Service Board for a four (4) year term, ending September 2030; and,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this the 17th Day of August, 2026 that, Mr. Sam Jones be appointed to the Benton County Civil Service Board as described above.

Upon a Motion by _____ Seconded by _____
On a Roll Call Vote _____ Voted AYE _____ Voted NAY _____ Passed _____ Absent _____

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

COUNTY MAYOR, MARK WARD

COUNTY CLERK, WANDA MALIN

RESOLUTION NO. 20260817-21

SPONSORED BY BENTON COUNTY MAYOR MARK WARD

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: BUDGET COMMITTEE

August 17, 2026

A RESOLUTION TO INCREASE THE COMPENSATION FOR BENTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR ATTENDANCE AT SCHEDULED COMMISSION MEETINGS AND STANDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS.

WHEREAS, the Benton County Board of Commissioners is responsible for the legislative operations, budgeting, and policy-making decisions of Benton County, Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, the compensation rate for the members of the Board of Commissioners has not been adjusted or modified in approximately eight (8) years; and

WHEREAS, to attract dedicated public servants and maintain a fair, reasonable standard of compensation for the time invested in official county business, it is necessary to adjust the meeting per diem rates; and -

WHEREAS, the proposed increases have been reviewed and are deemed financially prudent and necessary for the proper administration of county legislative functions.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee, assembled in regular session on this 17th day of August, 2026, that:

1. The compensation rate for Benton County Commissioners attending regular or special called County Commission meetings shall be increased to \$150.00 per meeting.
2. The compensation rate for Benton County Commissioners attending officially recognized Standing Committee meetings shall be increased to \$75.00 per meeting.
3. This compensation adjustment shall officially take effect on September 1, 2026.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the county budget line items associated with County Commission payroll be funded accordingly to accommodate this adjustment for the remainder of the 2026-2027 fiscal year.

Upon a Motion by _____ Seconded by _____

On a Roll Call Vote _____ Voted AYE _____ Voted NAY _____ Passed _____ Absent _____

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

COUNTY MAYOR, MARK WARD

COUNTY CLERK, WANDA MALIN

BENTON COUNTY JULY 20, 2026

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT ON JULY 20, 2026 THAT THE BENTON COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS MET IN REGULAR SESSION
AT THE BENTON COUNTY COURTHOUSE @ 6:00 PM.

Opening of meeting was by Sheriff Kenny Christopher or Deputy.

Invocation was led by Keith Arnold and Pledge of Allegiance was led by Frank Lashlee

ROLL CALL BY COUNTY CLERK, WANDA MALIN– 17 Present and 1 Absent (Sonny Hall)

ANNOUNCING OF QUORUM BY COUNTY CLERK, Wanda Malin

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion was made by Commissioner Nunnery and seconded by Commissioner Holland to approve the agenda On a voice vote 17 Ayes, 0 No, and 1 Absent. Motion Passed.


MARK WARD, COUNTY MAYOR


WANDA MALIN, COUNTY CLERK

AGENDA

- I. Opening of Meeting by Sheriff or his appointee
- II. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Roll Call by County Clerk or Chief Deputy
- IV. Announcing of Quorum by County Clerk, Wanda Malin
 - 1) Approval of Agenda
 - 2) Citizens Forum
 - 3) Commissioners Forum
 - 4) County Mayor, Attorney, Finance Advisor, or Proclamations
 - 5) GGM Recreation and Parks Advisory Group, LLC-Consulting Firm-Presentation
 - 6) Approval of Minutes
 - 7) Report of Public Utilities
 - 8) A RESOLUTION by DOS Mark Florence to budget funds in the amount of \$51,267.82 from the Public School Construction & Maintenance Grant received at the end of the last fiscal year. (20260720-01)
 - 9) A RESOLUTION by Benton County DOS Mark Florence to seek the commission's approval of purchasing cooperatives. (20260720-02)

- 10) A RESOLUTION authorizing the Board of Education to manage the Federal Projects fund for the fiscal year 2026-2027. (20260720-03)
- 11) A RESOLUTION authorizing the Board of Education to manage the Federal budget for the fiscal year 2026-2027. (20260720-04)
- 12) A RESOLUTION by Sheriff Ken Christopher to amend Resolution No. 20260615-16. (20260720-05)
- 13) A RESOLUTION by Sheriff Kenny Christopher to appropriate and budget funds in the amount of \$21,783.33 to proper expenditure line items within the Sheriff's Budget to fund installing a video workstation for the Sheriff's Office due to expiration of BVMS maintenance coverage and licensing fees up to date with Securitas Technology. (20260720-06)
- 14) A RESOLUTION by Sheriff Ken Christopher, to budget funds in the amount of \$12,500.00 received from the TLETA Cost Sharing Grant to an expenditure line item to allow for proper expenditure. (20260720-07)
- 15) A RESOLUTION by Sheriff Ken Christopher, to budget funds in the amount of \$1,324.45 received from insurance payments on damaged sheriff department vehicles to an expenditure line item to allow for proper expenditure. (20260720-08)
- 16) A RESOLUTION by Sheriff Ken Christopher to budget funds in the amount of \$375.00 received from miscellaneous sources to proper line items for expenditure. (20260720-09)
- 17) A RESOLUTION by Sheriff Ken Christopher to budget funds in the amount of \$150.00 received from Sex Offenders Registry to appropriate line items in the Sheriff's budget for expenditure. (20260720-10)
- 18) A RESOLUTION by Mayor Mark Ward to reappoint Dayna Ferguson to the Benton County Office on Aging/Senior Center Committee for another term. (20260720-11)
- 19) A RESOLUTION by Mayor Mark Ward to reappoint Jimmy Hivick to the Benton County Office on Aging/Senior Center Committee for another term. (20260720-12)
- 20) A RESOLUTION by Mayor Mark Ward to reappoint Charlotte Oxford to the Benton County Office on Aging/Senior Center Committee for another term. (20260720-13)
- 21) A RESOLUTION by Mayor Mark Ward to reappoint Janelle Thornton Cook to the Benton County Office on Aging/Senior Center Committee for another term. (20260720-14)
- 22) A RESOLUTION by Mayor Mark Ward to reappoint Doris Jo Arnold to the Benton County Office on Aging/Senior Center Committee for another term. (20260720-15)
- 23) A RESOLUTION by Mayor Mark Ward to reappoint Lisa Wright Flowers to the Benton County Office on Aging/Senior Center Committee for another term. (20260720-16)
- 24) A RESOLUTION by Mayor Mark Ward to reappoint Bret Burke to the Benton County Office on Aging/Senior Center Committee for another term. (20260720-17)
- 25) A RESOLUTION by Benton County Mayor Mark Ward to declare three (3) county owned vehicles, in possession of the Animal Shelter, as surplus property for the purpose of public sale. (20260720-18)
- 26) A RESOLUTION by Mayor Mark Ward to appoint Richard Kee to the Benton County E-911 Board for a four-year term. (20260720-19)
- 27) A RESOLUTION by Mayor Mark Ward authorizing the conveyance of certain county owned real property to the Benton County Industrial Development Board. (20260720-20)
- 28) A RESOLUTION authorizing Benton County Mayor Mark Ward to advertise and accept competitive bids for the sale of timber on county-owned property. (20260720-21)
- 29) A RESOLUTION by Mayor Mark Ward to budget funds received from airport grants in the amount of \$257,869.51 to the airport's budget. (20260720-22)
- 30) A Resolution authorizing lease of county-owned property to Benton County Veterans Memorial

31) Appointing Notaries

32) Any Other Business

33) Adjourn

CITIZENS FORUM

Jim Price-Please show and use "*Respect*" for Benton County when your conducting business in a public platform setting

COMMISSIONERS FORUM

Jerry Price

Rocky Presson

Dwayne Fowler

Keith Arnold

Chairman Rosanne K. Ward recognized Ken Berry to speak about Data Center & Zoning Issues

COUNTY MAYOR, ATTORNEY, FINANCE ADVISOR, OR PROCLAMATIONS

Mayor Mark Ward asked Rita Haslam to speak regarding the Benton County Airport

GGM RECREATION AND PARKS ADVISORY GROUP, LLC

Consulting Firm presented a Master Plan for the entire Benton County Parks and Recreations

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion was made by Commissioner Kiehn and seconded by Commissioner Horton for the approval of minutes. On a voice vote 17 Ayes, 0 No, and 1 Absent. Motion Passed for Approval of Minutes.


MARK WARD, COUNTY MAYOR


WANDA MALIN, COUNTY CLERK

APPROVAL OF THE REPORT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

Motion was made by Commissioner Arnold and seconded by Commissioner Kiehn to approve the Report of Public Utilities. On a voice vote 17 Ayes, 0 No, and 1 Absent. Motion Passed.


MARK WARD, COUNTY MAYOR


WANDA MALIN, COUNTY CLERK

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 20260720-01

SPONSORED BY BENTON COUNTY DOS MARK FLORENCE

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: BUDGET COMMITTEE

July 20, 2026

A RESOLUTION by DOS Mark Florence to budget funds in the amount of \$51,267.82 from the Public School Construction & Maintenance Grant received at the end of the last fiscal year.

WHEREAS: The Benton County Board of Education received the Public School Construction & Maintenance Grant at the end of the last fiscal year;

THEREFORE: Be it resolved by the Benton County Board of Commissioners to approve the following changes within the 2026-27 budget as follows;

DECREASE

39000	Fund Balance	\$51,267.82
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INCREASE

76100 707	Capital Outlay Building Improvements	\$51,267.82
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Upon a Motion by _____ Seconded by _____
On a Roll Call Vote _____ Voted AYE _____ Voted NAY _____ Passed
_____ Absent

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

COUNTY MAYOR, MARK WARD

COUNTY CLERK, WANDA MALIN

******Resolution No. 20260720-01 was Pulled******

RESOLUTION NO. 20260720-02

SPONSORED BY BENTON COUNTY DIRECTOR OF SCHOOLS MARK FLORENCE

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: BUDGET COMMITTEE

July 20, 2026

A RESOLUTION by Benton County DOS Mark Florence to seek the commission's approval of purchasing cooperatives.

WHEREAS: The Benton County Board of Education would like the following purchasing cooperatives approved;
Volco, Buy Board, Sourcewell, and TIPS (this will include all vendors who are used by these cooperatives).

THEREFORE: Be it resolved by the Benton County Board of Commissioners to approve the above named cooperatives.

Upon a Motion by _____ Seconded by _____
On a Roll Call Vote _____ Voted AYE _____ Voted NAY _____ Passed _____ Absent _____

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

COUNTY MAYOR, MARK WARD

COUNTY CLERK, WANDA MALIN

Motion was made by Commissioner Melton and seconded by Commissioner Burke to approve Resolution No. 20260720-02. On a roll call vote 17 Ayes, 0 No, and 1 Absent. Motion Passed.



MARK WARD, COUNTY MAYOR



WANDA MALIN, COUNTY CLERK

RESOLUTION NO. 20260720-03

SPONSORED BY BENTON COUNTY DIRECTOR OF SCHOOLS MARK FLORENCE

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: BUDGET COMMITTEE

July 20, 2026

A RESOLUTION by Director of Schools Mark Florence to move funds in the amount of \$9,300.00 within the school's budget.

WHEREAS: The estimate of expenditures was not enough to meet the necessary expenditures for certain subsidiary items in the primary series in the School Budget;

THEREFORE: Be it resolved by the Benton County Board of Commissioners to approve the following changes within the 2026-27 budget as follows;

INCREASE

72210 105	Supervisor of Instruction	\$9,100.00
72410 139	Assistant Principal	200.00

DECREASE

71100 116	Teachers	\$9,300.00
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Upon a Motion by _____ Seconded by _____
On a Roll Call Vote _____ Voted AYE _____ Voted NAY _____ Passed _____ Absent _____

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

COUNTY MAYOR, MARK WARD

COUNTY CLERK, WANDA MALIN

*****Resolution No. 20260720-03 was Pulled*****

RESOLUTION NO. 20260720-04

SPONSORED BY BENTON COUNTY DIRECTOR OF SCHOOLS MARK FLORENCE

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: BUDGET COMMITTEE

July 20, 2026

A RESOLUTION authorizing the Board of Education to manage the Federal Projects fund for the fiscal year 2026-2027.

WHEREAS, the Benton County Board of Education receives various federal funds to support educational programs, compliance, and student achievement; and

WHEREAS, these federal projects require timely fiscal management, budget flexibility, and alignment with federal program guidelines; and

WHEREAS, the Benton County Board of Education possesses the administrative expertise to oversee the allocations and adjustments of these specialized federal grants;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this the 20th day of July, 2026, that the Benton County Board of Education Federal Projects funds (Title I, Title II, Title III, Title IV, Title V, IDEA, Preschool, Carl Perkins and any other federal grant) shall be the budget approved for the separate projects within the fund by the Benton County Board of Education; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Benton County Board of Commissioners shall consider annually the adoption of this resolution.

Upon a Motion by _____ Seconded by _____
On a Roll Call Vote _____ Voted AYE _____ Voted NAY _____ Passed _____
Absent _____

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

COUNTY MAYOR, MARK WARD

COUNTY CLERK, WANDA MALIN

Motion was made by Commissioner Arnold and seconded by Commissioner Horton to approve Resolution No. 20260720-04. On a roll call vote 17 Ayes, 0 No, and 1 Absent. Motion Passed.

MARK WARD, COUNTY MAYOR

WANDA MALIN, COUNTY CLERK

RESOLUTION NO. 20260720-05

SPONSORED BY BENTON COUNTY SHERIFF KEN CHRISTOPHER

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: Budget Committee & Law Enforcement Committees

July 20, 2026

A RESOLUTION by Sheriff Ken Christopher to amend Resolution No. 20260615-16.

WHEREAS, on June 15, 2026, the Benton County Board of Commissioners passed Resolution No. 20260615-16 to budget funds from a reimbursable grant from the state; and

WHEREAS, the original resolution contained incorrect account line-item numbers that require correction to ensure proper bookkeeping; and

WHEREAS, to accomplish the exact financial result intended by Resolution No. 20260615-16, the Benton County Sheriff requests that the Board of Commissioners approve corrections to the specific account line-item numbers;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee, assembled in regular session on this 20th day of July, 2026, that Resolution No. 20260615-16 be amended to correct and transfer funds within the proper account line items as follows:

101.46920

CHANGE TO

101.46290

Upon a Motion by _____ Seconded by _____
On a Roll Call Vote _____ Voted AYE _____ Voted NAY _____ Passed _____ Absent _____

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

COUNTY MAYOR, MARK WARD

COUNTY CLERK, WANDA MALIN

Motion was made by Commissioner Melton and seconded by Commissioner Bain to approve Resolution No. 20260720-05. On a roll call vote 17 Ayes, 0 No, and 1 Absent. Motion Passed.


MARK WARD, COUNTY MAYOR


WANDA MALIN, COUNTY CLERK

RESOLUTION NO. 20260720-06

SPONSORED BY BENTON COUNTY SHERIFF KEN CHRISTOPHER

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: LAW ENFORCEMENT & BUDGET COMMITTEES

July 20, 2026

A **RESOLUTION** by Sheriff Kenny Christopher to appropriate and budget funds in the amount of \$21,783.33 to proper expenditure line items within the Sheriff's Budget to fund installing a video workstation for the Sheriff's Office due to expiration of BVMS maintenance coverage and licensing fees up to date with Securitas Technology.

WHEREAS, Benton County Sheriff's Office has entered into an agreement with Securitas Technology and Brian Williams CISSP to provide the equipment and services,

WHEREAS, it will be necessary to appropriate funds in the amount of \$21,783.33 into the appropriate line items with the Sheriff's budget in order to cover the approved purchases,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this 20th day of July, 2026 that funds in the amount of \$21,783.33 be appropriated and budgeted in the following manner:

DECREASE REVENUES:

101.39000	Unassigned Fund Balance	\$21,783.33
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INCREASE EXPENDITURES:

101.54110.709	Data Processing Equipment	\$20,783.33
101.54110.317	Data Processing Services (Brian Williams, CISSP)	\$ 1,000.00

Upon a Motion by _____ Seconded by _____

On a Roll Call Vote _____ Voted Aye _____ Voted Naye _____ Passed _____ Absent _____

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

COUNTY MAYOR, MARK WARD

COUNTY CLERK, WANDA MALIN

*****Resolution No. 20290720-06 was Pulled*****

RESOLUTION NO. 20260720-07

SPONSORED BY BENTON COUNTY SHERIFF KEN CHRISTOPHER

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: BUDGET & LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEES

July 20, 2026

A RESOLUTION by Sheriff Ken Christopher, to budget funds in the amount of \$ 12,500.00 received from the TLETA Cost Sharing Grant to an expenditure line item to allow for proper expenditure.

WHEREAS, the Benton County Sheriff's Office has received revenues in the amount of \$12,500.00 from a TLETA cost sharing grant; and

WHEREAS, it will be necessary to budget said revenues in the amount of \$12,500.00 to the appropriate expenditure line item for payment to Deputies (5) within the Sheriff's Department Budget.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this the 20th day of July, 2026 that the funds in the amount of \$12,500.00 received by the Benton County Sheriff's Office be budgeted as follows:

DECREASE REVENUES:

101.47250	Law Enforcement Grants	\$12,500.00
		\$12,500.00

INCREASE EXPENDITURES:

101.54110.140	Salary Supplements	\$12,500.00
		\$12,500.00

Upon a Motion by _____ Seconded by _____
On a Roll Call Vote _____ Voted AYE _____ Voted NAY _____ Passed _____ Absent _____

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

COUNTY MAYOR, MARK WARD

COUNTY CLERK, WANDA MALIN

*****Resolution No. 20260720-07 was Pulled*****

RESOLUTION NO. 20260720-08

SPONSORED BY THE BENTON COUNTY SHERIFF KENNY CHRISTOPHER

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: BUDGET COMMITTEE & LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE

July 20, 2026

A RESOLUTION by Sheriff Ken Christopher, to budget funds in the amount of \$1,324.45 received from insurance payments on damaged sheriff department vehicles to an expenditure line item to allow for proper expenditure.

WHEREAS, Payments in the amount of \$1,324.45 have been received from insurance reimbursements on wrecked vehicles; and,

WHEREAS, it is necessary to move said funds into an expenditure line item for proper expenditure.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this the 20th day of July, 2026 that funds be budgeted as follows:

Decrease Fund Balance:	Amount:
101.49700 Insurance Recovery	\$1,324.45
	\$1,324.45
Increase Expenditures:	Amount:
101.58400.338 Maintenance and Repair of Vehicles	\$1,324.45
	\$1,324.45

Upon a Motion by _____	Seconded by _____
On a Roll Call Vote _____	Voted Aye _____ Voted Naye _____ Passed _____
_____ Absent	

APPROVED:

COUNTY MAYOR, MARK WARD

ATTEST:

COUNTY CLERK, WANDA MALIN

*****Resolution No. 20260720-08 was Pulled*****

RESOLUTION NO. 20260720-09

SPONSORED BY BENTON COUNTY SHERIFF KENNY CHRISTOPHER

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: BUDGET & LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEES

July 20, 2026

A RESOLUTION by Sheriff Ken Christopher to budget funds in the amount of \$375.00 received from miscellaneous sources to proper line items for expenditure.

WHEREAS, the Benton County Sheriff's Office has received revenues in the amount of \$375.00 for the month of June, 2026; and

WHEREAS, it will be necessary to budget said revenues in the amount of \$375.00 to the appropriate expenditure accounts within Sheriff Department Budget.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this the 20th day of July, 2026 that the funds in the amount of \$375.00 received by the Benton County Sheriff's Office for revenues for the month of June, 2026 be budgeted as follows.

DECREASE REVENUES:

101.44170	Miscellaneous Refunds-(Tow Bill)	\$375.00
		\$375.00

INCREASE EXPENDITURES:

101.54110.353	Towing Services	\$375.00
		\$375.00

Upon a Motion by _____ Seconded by _____ On a Roll Call Vote
Voted Aye _____ Voted Naye _____ Passed _____ Absent _____

*****Resolution No. 20260720-09 was Pulled***

RESOLUTION NO. 20260720-10

SPONSORED BY BENTON COUNTY SHERIFF KEN CHRISTOPHER

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: BUDGET & LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEES

July 20, 2026

A RESOLUTION by Sheriff Ken Christopher to budget funds in the amount of \$150.00 received from Sex Offenders Registry to appropriate line items in the Sheriff's budget for expenditure.

WHEREAS, it will be necessary to budget said revenues in the amount of \$150.00 to the appropriate expenditure accounts within the SOR budget.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this 20th day of July, 2026 that the funds in the amount of \$150.00 received by the Benton County Sheriff's Office for revenues to be budgeted as follows.

DECREASED REVENUES:

101.43395	Sexual Offender Registration Fee-Sheriff	\$150.00
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INCREASE EXPENDITURES:

101.54160.599	Other Charges	\$100.00
101.54160.358	Remittance of Revenues	\$ 50.00
		\$150.00

Upon a Motion by _____ Seconded by _____
On a Roll Call Vote _____ Voted AYE _____ Voted NAY _____ Passed _____ Absent _____

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

COUNTY MAYOR, MARK WARD

COUNTY CLERK, WANDA MALIN

****** Resolution No. 20260720-10 was Pulled ******

RESOLUTION NO. 20260720-11

SPONSORED BY BENTON COUNTY MAYOR MARK WARD

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: NONE

July 20, 2026

A RESOLUTION by Mayor Mark Ward to reappoint Dayna Ferguson to the Benton County Office on Aging/Senior Center Committee for another term.

WHEREAS, due to expiration of term of service, it will be necessary to fill a position on the Benton County Office on Aging/Senior Center Committee; and

WHEREAS, Dayna Ferguson has honorably and diligently served the people of Benton County on this committee; and

WHEREAS, Benton County Mayor Mark Ward requests that Dayna Ferguson be reappointed to the Benton County Office on Aging/Senior Center Committee for a 2-year term; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this the 20th day of July, 2026 that Dayna Ferguson be reappointed to a position on the Benton County Office on Aging/Senior Center Committee, to serve a 2-year term ending May 2028.

Upon a Motion by _____ Seconded by _____
On a Roll Call Vote _____ Voted AYE _____ Voted NAY _____ Passed _____ Absent _____

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

COUNTY MAYOR, MARK WARD

COUNTY CLERK, WANDA MALIN

Motion was made by Commissioner Mellton and seconded by Commissioner Arnold to approve Resolution No. 20260720-11. On a roll call vote 17 Ayes, 0 No, and 1 Absent. Motion Passed.


MARK WARD, COUNTY MAYOR


WANDA MALIN, COUNTY CLERK

RESOLUTION NO. 20260720-12

SPONSORED BY BENTON COUNTY MAYOR MARK WARD

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: NONE

July 20, 2026

A RESOLUTION by Mayor Mark Ward to reappoint Jimmy Hivick to the Benton County Office on Aging/Senior Center Committee for another term.

WHEREAS, due to expiration of term of service, it will be necessary to fill a position on the Benton County Office on Aging/Senior Center Committee; and

WHEREAS, Jimmy Hivick has honorably and diligently served the people of Benton County on this committee; and

WHEREAS, Benton County Mayor Mark Ward requests that Jimmy Hivick be reappointed to the Benton County Office on Aging/Senior Center Committee for a 2-year term; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this the 20th day of July, 2026 that Jimmy Hivick be reappointed to a position on the Benton County Office on Aging/Senior Center Committee, to serve a 2-year term ending May 2028.

Upon a Motion by _____ Seconded by _____
On a Roll Call Vote _____ Voted AYE _____ Voted NAY _____ Passed _____ Absent _____

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

COUNTY MAYOR, MARK WARD

COUNTY CLERK, WANDA MALIN

Motion was made by Commissioner Burke and seconded by Commissioner Melton to approve Resolution No. 20260720-12. On a roll call vote 17 Ayes, 0 No, and 1 Absent. Motion Passed.


MARK WARD, COUNTY MAYOR


WANDA MALIN, COUNTY CLERK

RESOLUTION NO. 20260720-13

SPONSORED BY BENTON COUNTY MAYOR MARK WARD

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: NONE

July 20, 2026

A RESOLUTION by Mayor Mark Ward to reappoint Charlotte Oxford to the Benton County Office on Aging/Senior Center Committee for another term.

WHEREAS, due to expiration of term of service, it will be necessary to fill a position on the Benton County Office on Aging/Senior Center Committee; and

WHEREAS, Charlotte Oxford has honorably and diligently served the people of Benton County on this committee; and

WHEREAS, Benton County Mayor Mark Ward requests that Charlotte Oxford be reappointed to the Benton County Office on Aging/Senior Center Committee for a 2-year term; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this 20th day of July, 2026 that Charlotte Oxford be reappointed to a position on the Benton County Office on Aging/Senior Center Committee, to serve a 2-year term ending May 2028.

Upon a Motion by _____ Seconded by _____
On a Roll Call Vote _____ Voted AYE _____ Voted NAY _____ Passed _____ Absent _____

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

COUNTY MAYOR, MARK WARD

COUNTY CLERK, WANDA MALIN

Motion was made by Commissioner Horton and seconded by Commissioner Price to approve Resolution No. 20270720-13. On a roll call vote 17 Ayes, 0 No, and 1 Absent. Motion Passed.


MARK WARD, COUNTY MAYOR


WANDA MALIN, COUNTY CLERK

RESOLUTION NO. 20260720-14

SPONSORED BY BENTON COUNTY MAYOR MARK WARD

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: NONE

July 20, 2026

A RESOLUTION by Mayor Mark Ward to reappoint Janelle Thornton Cook to the Benton County Office on Aging/Senior Center Committee for another term.

WHEREAS, due to expiration of term of service, it will be necessary to fill a position on the Benton County Office on Aging/Senior Center Committee; and

WHEREAS, Janelle Thornton Cook has honorably and diligently served the people of Benton County on this committee; and

WHEREAS, Benton County Mayor Mark Ward requests that Janelle Thornton Cook be reappointed to the Benton County Office on Aging/Senior Center Committee for a 2-year term; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this 20th day of July, 2026 that Janelle Thornton Cook be reappointed to a position on the Benton County Office on Aging/Senior Center Committee, to serve a 2-year term ending May 2028.

Upon a Motion by _____ Seconded by _____
On a Roll Call Vote _____ Voted AYE _____ Voted NAY _____ Passed _____ Absent _____

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

COUNTY MAYOR, MARK WARD

COUNTY CLERK, WANDA MALIN

Motion was made by Commissioner Murphy and seconded by Commissioner Arnold to approve Resolution No. 20260720-14. On a roll call vote 17 Ayes, 0 No, and 1 Absent. Motion Passed.


MARK WARD, COUNTY MAYOR


WANDA MALIN, COUNTY CLERK

RESOLUTION NO. 20260720-15

SPONSORED BY BENTON COUNTY MAYOR MARK WARD

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: NONE

July 20, 2026

A RESOLUTION by Mayor Mark Ward to reappoint Doris Jo Arnold to the Benton County Office on Aging/Senior Center Committee for another term.

WHEREAS, due to expiration of term of service, it will be necessary to fill a position on the Benton County Office on Aging/Senior Center Committee; and

WHEREAS, Doris Jo Arnold has honorably and diligently served the people of Benton County on this committee; and

WHEREAS, Benton County Mayor Mark Ward requests that Doris Jo Arnold be reappointed to the Benton County Office on Aging/Senior Center Committee for a 2-year term; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this the 20th day of July, 2026 that Doris Jo Arnold be reappointed to a position on the Benton County Office on Aging/Senior Center Committee, to serve a 2-year term ending May 2028.

Upon a Motion by _____ Seconded by _____
On a Roll Call Vote _____ Voted AYE _____ Voted NAY _____ Passed _____ Absent _____

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

COUNTY MAYOR, MARK WARD

COUNTY CLERK, WANDA MALIN

Motion was made by Commissioner Nunnery and seconded by Commissioner Horton to approve Resolution No. 20260720-15. On a roll call vote 17 Ayes, 0 No, and 1 Absent. Motion Passed.


MARK WARD, COUNTY MAYOR


WANDA MALIN, COUNTY CLERK

RESOLUTION NO. 20260720-16

SPONSORED BY BENTON COUNTY MAYOR MARK WARD

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: NONE

July 20, 2026

A RESOLUTION by Mayor Mark Ward to reappoint Lisa Wright Flowers to the Benton County Office on Aging/Senior Center Committee for another term.

WHEREAS, due to expiration of term of service, it will be necessary to fill a position on the Benton County Office on Aging/Senior Center Committee; and

WHEREAS, Lisa Wright Flowers has honorably and diligently served the people of Benton County on this committee; and

WHEREAS, Benton County Mayor Mark Ward requests that Lisa Wright Flowers be reappointed to the Benton County Office on Aging/Senior Center Committee for a 4-year term;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this the 20th day of July, 2026 that Lisa Wright Flowers be reappointed to a position on the Benton County Office on Aging/Senior Center Committee, to serve a 4-year term ending May 2030.

Upon a Motion by _____ Seconded by _____
On a Roll Call Vote _____ Voted AYE _____ Voted NAY _____ Passed _____ Absent _____

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

COUNTY MAYOR, MARK WARD

COUNTY CLERK, WANDA MALIN

Motion was made by Commissioner Lashlee and seconded by Commissioner Bain to approve Resolution No. 20260720-16. On a roll call vote 17 Ayes, 0 No, and 1 Absent. Motion Passed.


MARK WARD, COUNTY MAYOR


WANDA MALIN, COUNTY CLERK

RESOLUTION NO. 20260720-17

SPONSORED BY BENTON COUNTY MAYOR MARK WARD

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: NONE

July 20, 2026

A RESOLUTION by Mayor Mark Ward to reappoint Bret Burke to the Benton County Office on Aging/Senior Center Committee for another term.

WHEREAS, due to expiration of term of service, it will be necessary to fill a position on the Benton County Office on Aging/Senior Center Committee; and

WHEREAS, Bret Burke has honorably and diligently served the people of Benton County on this committee; and

WHEREAS, Benton County Mayor Mark Ward requests that Bret Burke be reappointed to the Benton County Office on Aging/Senior Center Committee for a 4-year term;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this 20th day of July, 2026 that Bret Burke be reappointed to a position on the Benton County Office on Aging/Senior Center Committee, to serve a 4-year term ending May 2030.

Upon a Motion by _____ Seconded by _____
On a Roll Call Vote _____ Voted AYE _____ Voted NAY _____ Passed _____ Absent _____

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

COUNTY MAYOR, MARK WARD

COUNTY CLERK, WANDA MALIN

Motion was made by Commissioner Fowler and seconded by Commissioner Douglas to approve Resolution No. 20260720-17, On a roll call vote 16 Ayes, 0 No, 1 Abstain (Burke), and 1 Absent. Motion Passed.


MARK WARD, COUNTY MAYOR


WANDA MALIN, COUNTY CLERK

RESOLUTION NO. 20260720-18

SPONSORED BY BENTON COUNTY MAYOR MARK WARD

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: PROPERTY AND LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEES

July 20, 2026

A RESOLUTION by Benton County Mayor Mark Ward to declare three (3) county owned vehicles, in possession of the Animal Shelter, as surplus property for the purpose of public sale.

WHEREAS, three (3) county owned vehicles assigned to the Benton County Animal Shelter are no longer useful for county service; and

WHEREAS, Benton County Mayor Mark Ward requests that the commission declare these vehicles to be surplus property for the purpose of public sale; and

WHEREAS, these vehicles are listed as follows:

2005 Ford Ranger – VIN# 1FTYRIOU55PA46715

1999 Dodge Ram – VIN# 3B6KC26Z6XM580805

1997 Ford F150 – VIN #1FTDF1820VNC76264

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this 20th day of July 2026 that the vehicles described above be declared surplus property for the purpose of public sale.

Upon a Motion by _____ Seconded by _____
On a Roll Call Vote _____ Voted AYE _____ Voted NAY _____ Passed _____ Absent _____

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

COUNTY MAYOR, MARK WARD

COUNTY CLERK, WANDA MALIN

Motion was made by Commissioner Price and seconded by Commissioner Bain to approve Resolution No. 20260720-18. On a roll call vote 17 Ayes, 0 No, and 1 Absent. Motion Passed.



MARK WARD, COUNTY MAYOR



WANDA MALIN, COUNTY CLERK

RESOLUTION NO. 20260720-19

SPONSORED BY BENTON COUNTY MAYOR MARK WARD

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: NONE

July 20, 2026

A RESOLUTION by Mayor Mark Ward to appoint Richard Kee to the Benton County E-911 Board for a four-year term.

WHEREAS, due to a vacancy, it is necessary to fill a position on the Benton County E-911 Board; and

WHEREAS, Richard Kee has honorably and diligently served the people of Benton County; and

WHEREAS, Benton County Mayor Mark Ward requests that Richard Kee be appointed to the Benton County E-911 Board for a four-year term;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this 20th day of July, 2026 that Richard Kee be appointed to a position on the Benton County E-911 Board, to serve a four-year term ending July 2030.

Upon a Motion by _____ Seconded by _____
On a Roll Call Vote _____ Voted AYE _____ Voted NAY _____ Passed _____ Absent _____

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

COUNTY MAYOR, MARK WARD

COUNTY CLERK, WANDA MALIN

Motion was made by Commissioner Arnold and seconded by Commissioner Melton to approve Resolution No. 20260720-19. On a roll call vote 17 Ayes, 0 No, and 1 Absent. Motion Passed.


MARK WARD, COUNTY MAYOR


WANDA MALIN, COUNTY CLERK

RESOLUTION NO. 20260720-20

SPONSORED BY BENTON COUNTY MAYOR MARK WARD

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: PROPERTY COMMITTEE & BUDGET COMMITTEE

July 20, 2026

A RESOLUTION by Mayor Mark Ward authorizing the conveyance of certain county owned real property to the Benton County Industrial Development Board.

WHEREAS, Benton County is the owner of certain real property located at Benton County Industrial Park in Camden, Tennessee, on Benton Industrial Road, further identified as Tax Map 084, Parcel 074.00, consisting of approximately 234.99 acres (the "Property"); and

WHEREAS, a specific portion consisting of 10.00 +/- acres located at the corner of Benton Industrial Road and Veterans Drive is to be carved out of the Property for immediate conveyance; and

WHEREAS, the Benton County Industrial Development Board (the "IDB") was duly created by the County pursuant to state law (e.g., Tenn. Code Ann. § 7-53-101 et seq.) to promote industry, commerce, and the general welfare by fostering economic development; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the County and its citizens to transfer the said 10.00-acre portion of the Property to the IDB in order to facilitate economic development opportunities; which will generate jobs and expand the local tax base; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Mark Ward is hereby authorized to expend up to \$2,000.00 to cover the costs of a land survey, legal description, deed preparation, and any other related expenditures required to facilitate this conveyance, with said funds to be paid out of the Site Development Fund 171.

WHEREAS, the County may lawfully convey and transfer real property to the IDB for such public and economic development purposes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this 20th day of July, 2026 as follows:

Upon a Motion by _____ Seconded by _____
On a Roll Call Vote _____ Voted AYE _____ Voted NAY _____ Passed _____ Absent _____

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

COUNTY MAYOR, MARK WARD

COUNTY CLERK, WANDA MALIN

****Resolution No. 20269720-20 was Pulled****

RESOLUTION NO. 20260720-21

SPONSORED BY BENTON COUNTY MAYOR MARK WARD

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: BUDGET COMMITTEE & PROPERTY COMMITTEE

July 20, 2026

A RESOLUTION authorizing Benton County Mayor Mark Ward to advertise and accept competitive bids for the sale of timber on county-owned property.

WHEREAS, the County of Benton owns a certain tract of land located within the Benton County Industrial Park on Divider Natchez Trace Road, identified as Parcel ID 084 074.00; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that approximately 109.75 acres of timber on said property needs to be harvested and removed; and

WHEREAS, the sale of this timber will generate beneficial revenue for the County; and

WHEREAS, all revenues and proceeds derived from the sale of said timber shall be deposited and allocated directly into Fund 171.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee, assembled in regular session on this 20th day of July, 2026, that Mayor Mark Ward is hereby authorized to advertise and accept competitive bids for the sale of timber on the aforementioned property, subject to final approval by this legislative body.

Upon a Motion by _____ Seconded by _____
On a Roll Call Vote _____ Voted AYE _____ Voted NAY _____ Passed _____
Absent _____

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

COUNTY MAYOR, MARK WARD

COUNTY CLERK, WANDA MALIN

Motion was made by Commissioner Arnold and seconded by Commissioner Horton to approve Resolution No. 20260720-21. On a roll call vote 16 Ayes, 0 No, and 2 Absent (Phil Melton stepped out of meeting for a few minutes and was absent during voting). Motion Passed.



MARK WARD, COUNTY MAYOR



WANDA MALIN, COUNTY CLERK

RESOLUTION NO. 20260720-22

SPONSORED BY BENTON COUNTY MAYOR MARK WARD

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: BUDGET & PROPERTY COMMITTEES

July 20, 2026

A RESOLUTION by Mayor Mark Ward to budget funds received from airport grants in the amount of \$257,869.51 to the airport's budget.

WHEREAS, the Benton County Airport has received reimbursement on various grants in the amount of **\$257,869.51** from the State of Tennessee. Grants being the Terminal Renovation Grant, Parking Lot Grant, and Windsock and Beacon Panel Grant.

WHEREAS, it is necessary and prudent to budget these funds to a proper line item to allow for expenditures;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this 20th day of July, 2026 that funds be budgeted as follows:

DECREASE:

189.47590 OTHER-FEDERAL THROUGH STATE \$ 257,869.51

INCREASE:

189.91110.724 SITE DEVELOPMENT \$ 257,869.51

Upon a Motion by _____ Seconded by _____
On a Roll Call Vote _____ Voted AYE _____ Voted NAY _____ Passed _____ Absent _____

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

COUNTY MAYOR, MARK WARD

COUNTY CLERK, WANDA MALIN

*****Resolution No. 20260720-22 was Pulled*****

RESOLUTION NO. 20260720-23

SPONSORED BY BENTON COUNTY MAYOR MARK WARD

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: BUDGET COMMITTEE & PROPERTY COMMITTEE

July 20, 2026

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING LEASE OF COUNTY-OWNED PROPERTY TO BENTON COUNTY VETERANS MEMORIAL COMMITTEE.

WHEREAS, Benton County, Tennessee (the "County") is the owner of certain real property located in Benton County, Tennessee, more particularly described in the office of the Benton County Assessor of Property as follows:

Bounding on the North by Ballpark Road, Bounding on the West by a drainage ditch, on the East by a Tree line on the hill and on the South from a point in the drainage ditch at the south end of the Parking lot and running east to the tree line, containing 9.5 acres, more or less (the "Property"); and

WHEREAS, the BENTON COUNTY VETERANS MEMORIAL COMMITTEE (the "Committee") is a local non-profit corporation organized under the laws of the State of Tennessee for the purpose of establishing, maintaining, and operating a Veterans Memorial and related purposes to honor the service and sacrifice of veterans from Benton County and the State of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, the Committee has requested the opportunity to lease the Property from the County for the purpose of constructing, maintaining, and operating a Veterans Memorial Recreation Area thereon; and

WHEREAS, the County Commission finds that leasing the Property to the Committee for the purpose of honoring veterans serves a valid public purpose and promotes the health, safety, and general welfare of the citizens of Benton County; and

WHEREAS, the County Commission deems it to be in the best interest of the County and its citizens to lease the Property to the Committee for a term of ninety-nine (99) years at a nominal annual rent of One Dollar (\$1.00); and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated § 5-1-118 authorizes counties to lease county-owned property for public purposes; and

WHEREAS, the County Commission has determined that the terms and conditions of the proposed lease are fair and reasonable and serve the public interest.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Commission of Benton County, Tennessee, assembled in regular session on this the 20th day of July 2026, that:

Article 1 — Authorization and Approval

Lease Authorization. The County Commission hereby authorizes and approves the lease of the Property to the Committee for a term of ninety-nine (99) years, subject to the terms and conditions set forth in this Resolution and the Lease Agreement attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference (the "Lease Agreement").

Terms of Lease. The lease of the Property is authorized upon the following principal terms and conditions:

Lessee. BENTON COUNTY VETERANS MEMORIAL COMMITTEE, a Tennessee non-profit corporation.

Property. The real property described hereinabove and in the Lease Agreement.

Term. Ninety-nine (99) years, commencing on July 20, 2026 (the "Commencement Date"), and terminating on July 20, 2125, unless sooner terminated in accordance with the provisions of the Lease Agreement.

Rent. One Dollar (\$1.00) per year, payable annually in advance on or before the anniversary of the Commencement Date, representing nominal consideration for the public purpose served by the Committee's use of the Property.

Purpose. The Property shall be used exclusively for the construction, operation, maintenance, and preservation of a Veterans Memorial Recreation Area and related purposes that honor and commemorate the service of military veterans.

Improvements. The Committee shall have the right to construct improvements on the Property consistent with the permitted use, subject to obtaining all necessary governmental permits and approvals and complying with all applicable laws, ordinances, and regulations.

Maintenance. The Committee shall be responsible for all maintenance, repair, and upkeep of the Property and any improvements constructed thereon during the term of the Lease Agreement.

Insurance and Indemnification. The Committee shall maintain appropriate liability insurance and shall indemnify and hold harmless the County from claims arising out of the Committee's use and occupancy of the Property, all as more particularly set forth in the Lease Agreement.

Reversion. Upon expiration or earlier termination of the Lease Agreement, all improvements constructed on the Property by the Committee shall become the property of the County, unless the County Commission determines otherwise at that time.

Termination Rights. The County shall have the right to terminate the Lease Agreement if the Committee fails to use the Property for the permitted purpose, breaches any material term of the Lease Agreement, or ceases to operate as a qualifying organization, subject to notice and cure provisions as set forth in the Lease Agreement.

Public Purpose Finding. The County Commission hereby finds and declares that the lease of the Property to the Committee for the purpose of establishing and maintaining a Veterans Memorial Recreation Area serves a valid public purpose, including but not limited to:

Honoring the service and sacrifice of veterans who have served in the Armed Forces of the United States;

Providing a place of remembrance and reflection for citizens of Benton County;

Promoting civic pride and community involvement;

Preserving the history and contributions of veterans from Benton County; and

Providing educational opportunities regarding military service and veterans' contributions to the community and nation.

Article 2 — Execution and Implementation

Authority to Execute. The County Mayor of Benton County, Tennessee, is hereby authorized and directed to execute the Lease Agreement on behalf of the County, substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A, with such changes, insertions, and omissions as the County Mayor, in consultation with the County Attorney, may deem necessary or appropriate to effectuate the purposes of this Resolution and protect the interests of the County.

County Attorney Review. The County Attorney is hereby authorized and directed to review the Lease Agreement and to make such revisions as may be necessary to ensure compliance with applicable law and to protect the legal interests of the County.

Recording. The County Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause the Lease Agreement to be recorded in the Register's Office of Benton County, Tennessee, upon execution by all parties.

Ancillary Documents. The County Mayor and County Attorney are hereby authorized to execute and deliver such additional documents and instruments and to take such additional actions as may be necessary or appropriate to effectuate the purposes of this Resolution and to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby.

Article 3 — Conditions Precedent

Conditions to Effectiveness. The effectiveness of the Lease Agreement and the County's obligations thereunder shall be subject to the satisfaction or waiver of the following conditions precedent

Organizational Status. The Committee shall provide evidence satisfactory to the County Attorney that the Committee is duly organized and in good standing under the laws of the State of Tennessee and possesses the legal authority to enter into and perform its obligations under the Lease Agreement.

Insurance. The Committee shall provide evidence of the insurance coverage required under the Lease Agreement, with the County named as an additional insured as appropriate.

Use Plan. The Committee shall provide to the County a written plan describing the proposed use of the Property, including a general description of any improvements to be constructed and a timeline for development.

Legal Review. The County Attorney shall confirm that the Lease Agreement complies with all applicable legal requirements and adequately protects the interests of the County.

Article 4 — Representations and Covenants

County Representations. The County represents and warrants to the Committee that:

Authority. The County has full legal authority to enter into the Lease Agreement and to lease the Property to the Committee for the purposes contemplated hereby.

Ownership. The County is the owner in fee simple of the Property, subject to such easements, encumbrances, and restrictions as may be disclosed in the Lease Agreement or are of record.

No Conflicts. The execution and performance of the Lease Agreement by the County does not violate any provision of law applicable to the County or any agreement to which the County is a party.

County Covenants. The County covenants and agrees that:

Quiet Enjoyment. Subject to the terms and conditions of the Lease Agreement, the County shall provide the Committee with quiet enjoyment and peaceful possession of the Property during the term of the Lease Agreement.

Further Assurances. The County shall execute and deliver such additional documents and take such additional actions as may be reasonably requested by the Committee to confirm the Committee's rights under the Lease Agreement.

Article 5 — General Provisions

Compliance with Law. All actions taken pursuant to this Resolution shall comply with applicable federal, state, and local laws, ordinances, regulations, and rules.

Severability. If any provision of this Resolution is held to be invalid, illegal, or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining provisions shall continue in full force and effect.

Amendment. This Resolution may be amended only by a subsequent resolution duly adopted by the County Commission in accordance with applicable law.

Effective Date. This Resolution shall take effect from and after its passage, the public welfare requiring it.

Prior Inconsistent Actions. All prior resolutions, orders, or actions of the County Commission that are inconsistent with the provisions of this Resolution are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Upon a Motion by _____ Seconded by _____

On a Roll Call Vote: _____ Voted AYE _____ Voted NAY _____ Passed _____ Absent _____

Motion was made by Commissioner Arnold and seconded by Commissioner Price to approve Resolution No. 20280720-23. On a roll call vote 17 Ayes, 0 No, and 1 Absent. Motion Passed.


MARK WARD, COUNTY MAYOR


WANDA MALIN, COUNTY CLERK

NOTARIES

Kimberly P. Plunk and Sara Jane Huff

Motion was made by Commissioner Arnold and seconded by Commissioner Melton to approve notaries. On a voice vote 17 Ayes, 0 No, and 1 Absent. Motion Carries.


MARK WARD, COUNTY MAYOR


WANDA MALIN, COUNTY CLERK

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Motion was made by Commissioner Miller and seconded by Commissioner Bain to Suspend the Rules to bring to the floor Resolution No. 20260720-24. On a roll call vote 17 Ayes, 0 No, and 1 Absent. Motion Passed to Suspend the Rules.


MARK WARD, COUNTY MAYOR


WANDA MALIN, COUNTY CLERK

RESOLUTION NO. 20260720-24

SPONSORED BY BENTON COUNTY MAYOR MARK WARD

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: BUDGET COMMITTEE, PROPERTY COMMITTEE, AND INSURANCE COMMITTEE

July 20, 2026

A RESOLUTION authorizing the acceptance and appropriation of a Reimbursable Grant for the purchase of an ambulance and power lift system, and authorizing an interlocal agreement or contract with West Tennessee Healthcare for the operation and maintenance.

WHEREAS, Benton County, Tennessee is eligible to receive reimbursable grant funds through Last Mile Teams Initiative for the Rural Health Transformation Funds, the State of Tennessee/Department of Health in the amount of \$ 305,461.00; and

WHEREAS, these grant funds are designated specifically for the procurement of emergency medical equipment, specifically one (1) new ambulance and one (1) power lift system; and

WHEREAS, West Tennessee Healthcare operates the local hospital facility serving Benton County and possesses the necessary infrastructure to manage and deploy emergency medical assets efficiently; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best financial and operational interest of Benton County to partner with West Tennessee Healthcare to operate said equipment, provided that West Tennessee Healthcare assumes all responsibilities for insurance, maintenance, and operational costs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee, meeting in regular session on this 20th day of July, 2026, that:

SECTION 1. The County Mayor is hereby authorized to accept and execute all necessary documents for the reimbursable grant in the amount of \$ 305,461.00 for the purchase of an ambulance and power lift system.

SECTION 2. The sum of \$ 305,461.00 will need to be appropriated from Fund 171.39000 into Fund 171.91140.718, upon passage of the fiscal year 2026–2027 budget, for the initial purchase of said ambulance and lift system, to be fully reimbursed by the grant program.

SECTION 3. The County Mayor is authorized to enter into an interlocal agreement or contract with West Tennessee Healthcare, which shall explicitly stipulate that West Tennessee Healthcare shall:

1. Accept full operational control of the ambulance and power lift system.
2. Provide and maintain comprehensive liability and physical damage insurance coverage on both assets at all times.
3. Assume 100% of all maintenance, repair, fuel, and upkeep costs for the lifetime of the equipment.
4. Indemnify and hold Benton County harmless from any liabilities arising from the use of said equipment.

DECREASE:

171.39000 UNASSIGNED FUND BALANCE \$ 305,461.00

INCREASE:

171.91140.718 MOTOR VEHICLES \$ 305,461.00

Upon a Motion by _____ Seconded by _____
On a Roll Call Vote _____ Voted AYE _____ Voted NAY _____ Passed _____ Absent

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

COUNTY MAYOR, MARK WARD

COUNTY CLERK, WANDA MALIN

Motion was made by Commissioner Melton and seconded by Commissioner Nunnery to amend Resolution No. 20260720-24. *(See Above Original Resolution No. 20260720-24 before being Amended)*. On a roll call vote 17 Ayes, 0 No, and 1 Absent. Motion Passed to Amend.


MARK WARD, COUNTY MAYOR


WANDA MALIN, COUNTY CLERK

*****Amendment to Resolution No. 20260720-24*****

RESOLUTION NO. 20260720-24

SPONSORED BY BENTON COUNTY MAYOR MARK WARD

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: BUDGET COMMITTEE, PROPERTY COMMITTEE, AND INSURANCE COMMITTEE

July 20, 2026

A RESOLUTION authorizing the acceptance and appropriation of a Reimbursable Grant for the purchase of an ambulance and power lift system, and authorizing an interlocal agreement or contract with West Tennessee Healthcare for the operation and maintenance.

WHEREAS, these grant funds are designated specifically for the procurement of emergency medical equipment, specifically one (1) new ambulance and one (1) power lift system; and

WHEREAS, West Tennessee Healthcare operates the local hospital facility serving Benton County and possesses the necessary infrastructure to manage and deploy emergency medical assets efficiently; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best financial and operational interest of Benton County to partner with West Tennessee Healthcare to operate said equipment, provided that West Tennessee Healthcare assumes all responsibilities for insurance, maintenance, and operational costs;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee, meeting in regular session on this 20th day of July, 2026, that:

The County Mayor is authorized to enter into an interlocal agreement or contract with West Tennessee Healthcare, which shall explicitly stipulate that West Tennessee Healthcare shall:

1. Accept full operational control of the ambulance and power lift system.
2. Provide and maintain comprehensive liability and physical damage insurance coverage on both assets at all times.
3. Assume 100% of all maintenance, repair, fuel, and upkeep costs for the lifetime of the equipment.
4. Indemnify and hold Benton County harmless from any liabilities arising from the use of said equipment.

Upon a Motion by _____ Seconded by _____
On a Roll Call Vote _____ Voted AYE _____ Voted NAY _____ Passed _____ Absent _____

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

COUNTY MAYOR, MARK WARD

COUNTY CLERK, WANDA MALIN

Motion was made by Commissioner Horton and seconded by Commissioner Douglas to approve as amended Resolution No. 20260720-24 (*See Above Amendments to Resolution No. 20260720-24*). On a roll call vote 17 Ayes, 0 No, and 1 Absent. Motion Passed as Amended.

MARK WARD, COUNTY MAYOR

WANDA MALIN, COUNTY CLERK

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Commissioner Bain and seconded by Commissioner Holland to adjourn the meeting. On roll a call vote 17 Ayes, 0 No, and 1 Absent. Motion Carries.

**WANDA MALIN, COUNTY CLERK, DO CERTIFY THIS TO BE A TRUE AND COMPLETE COPY
OF THE JULY 20, 2026, BENTON COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING.**

COUNTY MAYOR, MARK WARD

COUNTY CLERK, WANDA MALIN

UTILITY PLANT

Description	Item	June 2026	June 2025
Electric Plant	1	\$56,792,115.50	\$54,561,138.62
Less Depreciation	2	\$27,648,881.71	\$25,881,372.75
TOTAL	3	\$29,143,233.79	\$28,679,765.87
Unamortized Acquisition Adjustment	4	\$0.00	
Other Utility Plant - Net	5	\$0.00	
TOTAL PLANT - NET	6	\$29,143,233.79	\$28,679,765.87

OTHER PROPERTY AND INVESTMENTS

Description	Item	June 2026	June 2025
Non-Utility Property - Net	7	\$0.00	
Other Investments	8	\$4,528,319.88	\$4,523,874.11
Sinking Funds	9	\$685,752.74	\$678,001.95
Depreciation Funds	10	\$0.00	
Other Special Funds	12	\$0.00	
TOTAL	13	\$5,214,072.62	\$5,201,876.06

CURRENT AND ACCRUED ASSETS

Description	Item	June 2026	June 2025
General Cash and Temporary Cash Investments	14	\$4,268,623.80	\$2,728,475.48
Accounts Receivable	15	\$2,967,169.00	\$2,886,063.92
Materials and Supplies	16	\$733,297.45	\$651,749.91
Prepayments	17	\$367,988.37	\$3,600,152.62
Other Current Assets	18	\$91,727.79	\$81,044.14
TOTAL	19	\$8,428,806.41	\$9,947,486.07

DEFERRED DEBITS

Description	Item	June 2026	June 2025
Debt Expense	20	\$44,599.05	\$56,422.89
Preliminary Survey	21	\$0.00	
Clearing Accounts	22	\$0.00	
Energy Service Loans Receivables	24	\$0.00	\$532.13
Deferred Costs on TVA Leases	25	\$0.00	
Other Deferred Debits	26	\$1,628,989.00	\$1,628,989.00
TOTAL	27	\$1,673,588.05	\$1,685,944.02

TOTAL ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS

Description	Item	June 2026	June 2025
TOTAL ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS	28	\$44,459,700.87	\$45,515,072.02

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Description	Amount
CFC or CoBank Investments Included in Item No. 8	\$78,319.88
Construction Work In-Progress Included in Item No. 1	\$110,184.51
Construction Fund Included in Item No. 12	\$0.00
Total Miles of Distribution Lines	0.00
Total Miles of Transmission Lines	0.00

CAPITAL

Description	Item	June 2026	June 2025
Membership Certificates	30	\$0.00	

UNAPPROPRIATED EARNINGS

Description	Item	June 2026	June 2025
End of Previous Year	--	\$32,192,576.95	\$30,119,091.03
Retained Earnings Adjustment	--	\$0.00	
Beginning of Year	33A	\$32,192,576.95	\$30,119,091.03
Current Year	34A	\$960,194.07	\$2,073,485.92
Transfers/Adjustments to/from Subsidiary	--		
TOTAL	35A	\$33,152,771.02	\$32,192,576.95

UNAPPROPRIATED UNDISTRIBUTED SUBSIDIARY EARNINGS

Description	Item	June 2026	June 2025
End of Previous Year	--		
Retained Earnings Adjustment	--	\$0.00	
Beginning of Year	33B		
Current Year	34B		
Transfers/Adjustments to/from Electric	--		
TOTAL	35B		

ACCUMULATED OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

Description	Item	June 2026	June 2025
End of Previous Year	--		
Current Year	--		
Total	--		

TOTAL UNAPPROPRIATED EARNINGS (INCLUDING SUBSIDIARY) AND ACCUMULATED OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

Description	Item	June 2026	June 2025
Total	--	\$33,152,771.02	\$32,192,576.95

LONG-TERM DEBT

Description	Item	June 2026	June 2025
RUS	36	\$0.00	
CFC	37	\$0.00	
CoBank	38	\$0.00	
Bonds and Other Long-Term Debt	39.1	\$2,545,000.00	\$3,010,000.00
TVA	39.3	\$0.00	
Debt Premium and Discount	40	\$2,861.40	\$4,578.24
TOTAL	41	\$2,547,861.40	\$3,014,578.24

OTHER NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES

Description	Item	June 2026	June 2025
Postretirement Benefits	39.2	\$1,886,783.00	\$1,886,783.00
Energy Service Loans - Advances	42	\$0.00	\$983.44
Energy Service Loans - Other	43	\$0.00	
TOTAL	44	\$1,886,783.00	\$1,887,766.44

CURRENT AND ACCRUED LIABILITIES

Description	Item	June 2026	June 2025
TVA Notes Payable	45.1	\$0.00	
Other Notes Payable	45.2	\$0.00	
Accounts Payable	46	\$1,818,196.89	\$3,296,141.35
Customer Deposits	47	\$1,948,884.45	\$2,110,405.94
Taxes and Equivalents Accrued	48	\$0.00	
Interest Accrued - RUS	49	\$0.00	
Interest Accrued - CFC	50	\$0.00	
Interest Accrued - CoBank	51	\$0.00	
Interest Accrued - TVA	52.1	\$0.00	
Interest Accrued - Other	52.2	\$6,037.71	\$7,038.59
Other Current Liabilities	53	\$2,183,309.91	\$2,079,275.16
TOTAL	54	\$5,956,428.96	\$7,492,861.04

DEFERRED CREDITS

Description	Item	June 2026	June 2025
Advances for Construction - Refundable	55	\$0.00	
Other Deferred Credits	56	\$915,856.49	\$927,289.35
TOTAL	57	\$915,856.49	\$927,289.35

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND OTHER CREDITS

Description	Item	June 2026	June 2025
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND OTHER CREDITS	58	\$44,459,700.87	\$45,515,072.02

OPERATING REVENUE

Description	Item	June 2026	Year to Date
Electric Sales Revenue (Page 7, Item 332)	59	\$2,582,628.68	\$29,552,784.54
Revenue From Late Payments	60	\$8,033.57	\$113,786.69
Miscellaneous Service Revenue	61	\$4,315.22	\$64,078.76
Rent From Electric Property	62	\$61,442.32	\$713,546.09
Other Electric Revenue	63	\$1,137.47	\$66,586.28
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE	64	\$2,657,557.26	\$30,510,782.36

PURCHASED POWER

Description	Item	June 2026	Year to Date
TOTAL POWER COST (PAGE 7, ITEM 342)	65	\$1,636,350.68	\$18,651,299.05

OPERATING EXPENSE

Description	Item	June 2026	Year to Date
Power Production Expense	65.5	\$0.00	
Transmission Expense	66	\$0.00	
Energy Storage Expenses	66.5	\$0.00	
Distribution Expense	67	\$72,934.40	\$1,004,043.66
Customer Accounts Expense	68	\$66,618.37	\$814,695.53
Customer Service and Informational Expense	69	\$2,821.91	\$38,655.83
Sales Expense	70	\$4,276.09	\$54,747.00
Administrative and General Expense	71	\$220,754.53	\$4,286,960.62
OPERATING EXPENSE	72	\$367,405.30	\$6,199,102.64

MAINTENANCE EXPENSE

Description	Item	June 2026	Year to Date
Power Production Expense	72.5	\$0.00	
Transmission Expense	73	\$0.00	
Energy Storage Expenses	73.5	\$0.00	
Distribution Expense	74	\$184,447.07	\$1,830,229.97
Administrative and General Expense	75	\$4,353.43	\$128,669.37
MAINTENANCE EXPENSE	76	\$188,800.50	\$1,958,899.34

OTHER OPERATING EXPENSE

Description	Item	June 2026	Year to Date
Depreciation Expense	77	\$171,411.93	\$2,041,590.60
Amortization of Acquisition Adjustment	78	\$0.00	
Taxes and Tax Equivalents	79	\$71,393.46	\$939,665.60
OTHER OPERATING EXPENSE	80	\$242,805.39	\$2,981,256.20

TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSE AND PURCHASED POWER

Description	Item	June 2026	Year to Date
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSE AND PURCHASED POWER	81	\$2,435,361.87	\$29,790,557.23

INCOME

Description	Item	June 2026	Year to Date
Operating Income (Item 64, Less Item 81)	82	\$222,195.39	\$720,225.13
Other Income	83	\$37,115.64	\$343,311.75
TOTAL INCOME	84	\$259,311.03	\$1,063,536.88
Miscellaneous Income Deductions	85	\$0.00	\$12,591.56
NET INCOME BEFORE DEBT EXPENSE	86	\$259,311.03	\$1,050,945.32

DEBT EXPENSE

Description	Item	June 2026	Year to Date
Interest on Long-Term Debt - RUS	87	\$0.00	
Interest on Long-Term Debt - CFC	88	\$0.00	
Interest on Long-Term Debt - CoBank	89	\$0.00	
Interest on Long-Term Debt - Other	90.1	\$6,037.71	\$78,329.37
Interest - TVA	90.2	\$0.00	
Other Interest Expense	92	\$5.65	\$2,314.88
Amortization of Debt Discount and Expense	93	\$842.25	\$10,107.00
Amortization of Premium on Debt - Credit	94	\$0.00	
TOTAL DEBT EXPENSE	95	\$6,885.61	\$90,751.25

NET INCOME

Description	Item	June 2026	Year to Date
Net Income Before Extraordinary Items and Subsidiary Earnings (Item 86, Less Item 95)	96	\$252,425.42	\$960,194.07
Extraordinary Items	97	\$0.00	
Subsidiary Earnings	97.1	\$0.00	
NET INCOME	98	\$252,425.42	\$960,194.07

CASH PROVIDED BY (USED IN) OPERATING ACTIVITIES

Description	June 2026	June 2025
Net Income	\$960,194.07	\$2,073,485.92
Adjustments to Reconcile Net Income to Net Cash:		
Depreciation	\$2,041,590.60	\$1,929,082.68
Amortization of:		
Acquisition Adjustment		
Additions to TVA Leases		
Debt Premium or Discount	\$10,107.00	\$10,107.00
Changes in Current and Deferred Items:		
Accounts Receivable	(\$81,105.08)	(\$410,995.33)
Materials and Supplies	(\$81,547.54)	\$108,618.55
Prepayments and Other Current Assets	\$3,221,480.60	\$60,002.77
Deferred Debits		\$807,540.00
Accounts Payable	(\$1,477,944.46)	\$288,336.00
Customer Deposits	(\$161,521.49)	\$331,865.94
Taxes and Interest Accrued	(\$1,000.88)	(\$979.71)
Other Current Liabilities	\$104,034.75	(\$407,143.44)
Deferred Credits	(\$11,432.86)	\$595,739.85
Retained Earnings Adjustments		
NET CASH PROVIDED BY (USED IN) OPERATING ACTIVITIES	\$4,522,854.71	\$5,385,660.23

CASH PROVIDED BY (USED IN) INVESTING ACTIVITIES

Description	June 2026	June 2025
Change in Net Plant	(\$2,505,058.52)	(\$2,311,967.44)
Net Change in Other Property and Investment	(\$12,196.56)	(\$226,912.94)
Energy Service Loans Receivable	\$532.13	\$8,708.62
NET CASH PROVIDED BY (USED IN) INVESTING ACTIVITIES	(\$2,516,722.95)	(\$2,530,171.76)

CASH PROVIDED BY (USED IN) FINANCING ACTIVITIES

Description	June 2026	June 2025
Change in Long-Term Debt	(\$465,000.00)	(\$455,000.00)
Notes Payable		
Memberships		
Energy Service Loans Advances	(\$983.44)	(\$9,567.79)
Post Retirement Benefit Adjustments		(\$868,824.00)
NET CASH PROVIDED BY (USED IN) FINANCING ACTIVITIES	(\$465,983.44)	(\$1,333,391.79)

NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND TEMPORARY INVESTMENTS

Description	June 2026	June 2025
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND TEMPORARY INVESTMENTS	\$1,540,148.32	\$1,522,096.68
CASH AND TEMPORARY INVESTMENTS BEGINNING OF YEAR	\$2,728,475.48	\$1,206,378.80
CASH AND TEMPORARY INVESTMENTS END OF YEAR	\$4,268,623.80	\$2,728,475.48

POWER PRODUCTION EXPENSES

Acct.	Operating Expense Description	Expenses June 2026	Expenses June 2025	Payroll June 2026	Payroll June 2025
550.1	Other Power Generation Operation Supplies and Expenses				
558.5	Solar Operation Supplies and Expenses				
558.17	Wind Generation Operation Supplies and Expenses				
559.5	Other Renewables Operation Supplies and Expenses				
(599)	Total Power Production Operating Expenses (Page 3, Item 65.5)				

TRANSMISSION

Acct.	Operating Expense Description	Expenses June 2026	Expenses June 2025	Payroll June 2026	Payroll June 2025
560	Supervision and Engineering				
561	Load Dispatching				
562	Station Expense				
563	Overhead Line Expense				
564	Underground Line Expense				
566	Miscellaneous				
567	Rents				
(600)	TOTAL TRANSMISSION OPERATING EXPENSE (PAGE 3, ITEM 66)				

ENERGY STORAGE EXPENSES

Acct.	Operating Expense Description	Expenses June 2026	Expenses June 2025	Payroll June 2026	Payroll June 2025
(601)	TOTAL ENERGY STORAGE OPERATING EXPENSE (PAGE 3, ITEM 66.5)				
577.5	Energy Storage Operation Supplies and Expenses				

DISTRIBUTION

Acct.	Operating Expense Description	Expenses June 2026	Expenses June 2025	Payroll June 2026	Payroll June 2025
580	Supervision and Engineering				
581	Load Dispatching				
582	Station Expense	\$2,522.38	\$2,063.84		
583	Overhead Line Expense	\$27,917.70	\$24,057.41		
584	Underground Line Expense				
585	Street Lighting and Signal System Expense				
586	Meter Expense	\$21,578.36	\$13,473.37		
587	Customer Installation Expense	\$0.40	\$0.00		
588	Miscellaneous	\$15,251.50	\$85,129.62		
589	Rents	\$5,664.06	\$1,448.01		
(605)	TOTAL DISTRIBUTION OPERATING EXPENSE (PAGE 3, ITEM 67)	\$72,934.40	\$126,172.25		

CUSTOMER ACCOUNTS EXPENSE

Acct.	Operating Expense Description	Expenses June 2026	Expenses June 2025	Payroll June 2026	Payroll June 2025
901	Supervision				
902	Meter Reading Expense	\$4,787.97	\$6,189.17		
903	Customer Records and Collection Expense	\$59,421.00	\$53,677.89		
904	Uncollectible Accounts	\$2,409.40	(\$11,416.85)		
905	Miscellaneous				
(610)	TOTAL CUSTOMER ACCOUNTS EXPENSE (PAGE 3, ITEM 68)	\$66,618.37	\$48,450.21		

CUSTOMER SERVICES & INFORMATIONAL EXPENSE

Acct.	Operating Expense Description	Expenses June 2026	Expenses June 2025	Payroll June 2026	Payroll June 2025
907	Supervision				
908	Customer Assistance Expense	\$683.33	\$633.33		
909	Informational and Instructional Advertising Expense	\$2,138.58	\$1,915.21		
910	Miscellaneous Customer Service and Informational Expense				
(615)	TOTAL CUSTOMER SERVICES AND INFORMATIONAL EXPENSE (PAGE 3, ITEM 69)	\$2,821.91	\$2,548.54		

SALES EXPENSE

Acct.	Operating Expense Description	Expenses June 2026	Expenses June 2025	Payroll June 2026	Payroll June 2025
911	Supervision				
912	Demonstrating and Selling Expense	\$2,138.05	\$1,994.56		
913	Advertising Expense	\$2,138.04	\$2,310.34		
916	Miscellaneous				
(620)	TOTAL SALES EXPENSE (PAGE 3, ITEM 70)	\$4,276.09	\$4,304.90		

ADMINISTRATIVE & GENERAL

Acct.	Operating Expense Description	Expenses June 2026	Expenses June 2025	Payroll June 2026	Payroll June 2025
920	Administrative and General Salaries	\$56,087.77	\$53,539.73		
921	Office Supplies and Expense	\$13,200.95	\$33,771.85		
922	Administrative Expense Transferred - Credit				
923	Outside Services Employed	\$19,238.25	\$10,320.00		
924	Property Insurance	\$6,366.94	\$6,133.51		
925	Injuries and Damages	\$36,163.84	\$14,502.99		
926	Employee Pensions and Benefits	\$90,837.92	\$299,284.33		
927	Franchise Requirements				
928	Regulatory Commission Expense				
929	Duplicate Charges - Credit	(\$7,404.48)	(\$7,076.14)		
930	Miscellaneous General Expense	\$6,263.34	\$7,546.09		
931	Rents				
(625)	TOTAL ADMINISTRATIVE AND GENERAL EXPENSE (PAGE 3, ITEM 71)	\$220,754.53	\$418,022.36		
(630)	TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSE (PAGE 3, ITEM 72)	\$367,405.30	\$599,498.26		

ADMINISTRATIVE & GENERAL

Acct.	Maintenance Expense Description	Expenses June 2026	Expenses June 2025	Payroll June 2026	Payroll June 2025
935	Maintenance of General Plant (Page 3, Item 75)	\$4,353.43	\$3,336.84		
935.1	Maintenance of Computer Hardware				
935.2	Maintenance of Computer Software				
935.3	Maintenance of Communication Equipment				
(641)	TOTAL ADMINISTRATIVE & GENERAL MAINTENANCE OF GENERAL PLANT (PAGE 3, ITEM 75)	\$4,353.43	\$3,336.84		
(645)	TOTAL MAINTENANCE EXPENSE (PAGE 3, ITEM 76)	\$188,800.50	\$132,022.86		
(650)	TOTAL OPERATING AND MAINTENANCE EXPENSE	\$556,205.80	\$731,521.12		
(655)	Total Direct and Indirect Payroll Charged to Construction and Retirements				
(660)	Payroll Charged to Other Accounts				
(662)	Fiscal Year Net Change in Accrued Leave Account - (Increase) Decrease				
(665)	TOTAL PAYROLL DISTRIBUTION FOR YEAR				

POWER PRODUCTION EXPENSES

Acct.	Operating Expense Description	Expenses June 2026	Expenses June 2025	Payroll June 2026	Payroll June 2025
554.1	Maintenance of Other Power Production Plant				
558.12	Solar Generation Maintenance Expenses				
558.24	Wind Generation Maintenance Expenses				
559.16	Other Renewables Maintenance Expenses				
(634)	Total Power Production Maintenance Expense (Page 3, Item 72.5)				

TRANSMISSION

Acct.	Maintenance Expense Description	Expenses June 2026	Expenses June 2025	Payroll June 2026	Payroll June 2025
568	Supervision and Engineering				
569	Maintenance of Structures				
570	Maintenance of Station Equipment				
571	Maintenance of Overhead Lines				
572	Maintenance of Underground Lines				
573	Miscellaneous				
(635)	TOTAL TRANSMISSION MAINTENANCE EXPENSE (PAGE 3, ITEM 73)				

ENERGY STORAGE EXPENSES

Acct.	Operating Expense Description	Expenses June 2026	Expenses June 2025	Payroll June 2026	Payroll June 2025
578.7	Maintenance of Other Energy Storage Plant				
(636)	TOTAL ENERGY STORAGE MAINTENANCE EXPENSE (PAGE 3, ITEM 73.5)				

DISTRIBUTION

Acct.	Maintenance Expense Description	Expenses June 2026	Expenses June 2025	Payroll June 2026	Payroll June 2025
590	Supervision and Engineering				
591	Maintenance of Structures				
592	Maintenance of Station Equipment	\$20.91	\$27.75		
592.2	Maintenance of Computer Hardware				
592.3	Maintenance of Computer Software				
592.4	Maintenance of Communication Equipment				
593	Maintenance of Overhead Lines	\$168,254.21	\$117,829.21		
594	Maintenance of Underground Lines	\$457.92	\$917.54		
595	Maintenance of Line Transformers	\$5,673.60	\$393.02		
596	Street Lighting and Signal Systems	\$1,924.14	\$1,448.89		
597	Maintenance of Meters	\$4,202.37	\$4,155.24		
598	Maintenance of Miscellaneous Distribution Plant	\$3,913.92	\$3,914.37		
(640)	TOTAL DISTRIBUTION MAINTENANCE EXPENSE (PAGE 3, ITEM 74)	\$184,447.07	\$128,686.02		

STATISTICAL DATA - REVENUE

Class of Service	Item	June 2026	Year to Date
Residential	100	\$1,575,291.58	\$17,776,061.66
Gen. Power - 50 kW & Under	101	\$362,990.27	\$3,910,899.92
Gen. Power - Over 50 kW	102	\$576,142.44	\$7,046,699.72
Electric Vehicles	102.1	\$594.21	\$5,449.44
Street and Athletic - Codes 72, 73 & 74	103	\$17,392.66	\$212,269.06
Outdoor Lighting - Codes 75, 77 & 78	104	\$50,217.52	\$601,404.74
SUBTOTAL	330	\$2,582,628.68	\$29,552,784.54
Unbilled Revenue	331	\$0.00	
TOTAL (PAGE 3, ITEM 59)	332	\$2,582,628.68	\$29,552,784.54

STATISTICAL DATA - KILOWATT-HOURS SOLD

Class of Service	Item	June 2026	Year to Date
Residential	107	10,053,399	115,834,202
Gen. Power - 50 kW & Under	108	2,016,852	21,651,196
Gen. Power - Over 50 kW	109	3,582,935	47,081,512
Electric Vehicles	109.1	2,016	17,283
Street and Athletic - Codes 72, 73 & 74	110	79,105	1,002,901
Outdoor Lighting - Codes 75, 77 & 78	111	192,113	2,368,333
TOTAL	335	15,926,420	187,955,427
Kilowatt-hours for Own Use	113	41,534	553,903
TOTAL KILOWATT-HOURS SOLD AND USED	114	15,967,954	188,509,330
Kilowatt-hours in Unbilled Revenue (Items 331) Above	336	0	

STATE & LOCAL SALES TAX ON ABOVE REVENUE (OPTIONAL)

	State	Sales Tax
Total		

AMOUNTS EXCLUDED FROM RATE SCHEDULE REVENUE

Description	Item	Credits	Green Power Revenue
Green Power-Res	807		\$6.00
Green Power-GP < 50kW	808		\$14.00
Green Power-GP > 50kW	809		\$0.00
Gen Partners-Res	800	\$182.02	
Gen Partners-GP < 50kW	801	\$203.78	
Gen Partners-GP > 50kW	802	\$0.00	
SMC/GMC	803	\$8,009.39	
EGC	804	\$0.00	
VCP	805	\$0.00	
VII/VIP (IC)	806	\$3,779.00	

PURCHASED POWER - AMOUNT

Description	Item	June 2026	Year to Date
Purchased Power (TVA)	115	\$1,597,887.06	\$18,570,001.46
Facilities Rental (TVA)	116	\$0.00	
Other Charges/Credits (TVA)	117	\$0.00	
TOTAL FROM TVA	118	\$1,597,887.06	\$18,570,001.46
Other Purchased Power	218	\$38,463.62	\$81,297.59
SUBTOTAL	340	\$1,636,350.68	\$18,651,299.05
Unbilled Purchases	341	\$0.00	
TOTAL (PAGE 3, ITEM 65)	342	\$1,636,350.68	\$18,651,299.05

PURCHASED POWER - KILOWATT-HOURS PURCHASED

Description	Item	June 2026	Year to Date
Purchased Power (TVA)	119	16,119,423	197,764,606
TOTAL FROM TVA	122	16,119,423	197,764,606
Other Purchased Power	222	701,824	1,488,182
TOTAL	345	16,821,247	199,252,788
Less Kilowatt-hours Sold and Used (Item 114)	123	15,967,954	188,509,330
Line Losses and Kilowatt-hours Unaccounted for	124	853,293	10,743,458
Percent of Losses to Purchases (2 Decimal Places)	125	5.07%	5.39%
Cost per Kilowatt-hour including Facilities Rental (cents)	127	9.91	9.39
Kilowatt-hours in Unbilled Purchases (Item 341) Above	346	0	

OTHER PURCHASED POWER

Purchased Power From	Contract No.	Dates
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NUMBER OF CUSTOMERS

Class of Service	Item	June 2026	June 2025
Residential	675	8,785	8,765
Gen. Power - 50 kW & Under	680	1,759	1,737
Gen. Power - Over 50 kW	685	94	94
Electric Vehicles	685.1	1	1
Street and Athletic - Codes 72, 73 & 74	690	20	22
Outdoor Lighting - Code 78	693	37	51
TOTAL	694	10,696	10,670
Special Outdoor Lighting - Code 75	696	0	
Outdoor Lighting - Code 77	697	3,315	3,315



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To: County Mayor's Office/ County Trustee's Office

Rhonda Miller

From: Sheriff Kenny Christopher

Donna Duncan

RE: June, 2026 Monies

The following monies are remitted to the Trustee's Office from the Sheriff's Office for the month of June, 2026.

Service Fees	\$1557.00	CK#4232 should go into the General Fund
Reimburse Tow Bill	\$375.00	CK#4233 should go into 54110.353 Tow Serv.
Reimb. TCI Grant	\$14,999.60	CK#4234 should go into the General Fund
Child Support Serv. Fees	\$80.00	CK#4235 should go into General Fund
SOR Fees	\$150.00	CK#4236 should go into Revenue Acct.101-43395 to be moved to \$100.00 to 54160.599- and \$50.00 to 54160.358
Phone Chirping	\$318.80	CK#4237 should go into General Fund.
Phone Commission	\$741.60	CK#4238 should go into General Fund.



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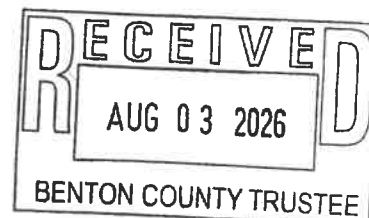
Donna Duncan, Bookkeeper

RE: JULY, 2026 Monies

The following monies are remitted to the Trustee's Office from the Sheriff's office for the month of JULY, 2026.

✓ Service Fees	✓ \$1650.00	• CK# 4239	Should go into the General Fund
✓ Chirping Commission	✓ \$261.06	• CK#4244	Should go into the General Fund
✓ Child Support Service Fees	✓ \$20.00	• CK#4241	Should go into the General Fund
✓ Reimburse Tow Bill	✓ \$775.00	• CK#4240	Should go into the Revenue Acct 101.44170 to be move to 54110.353
✓ Restitution for Jail Damages	✓ \$200.00	• CK#4242	Should go into 101.54210.499
✓ Phone Commission	✓ \$828.67	• CK#4243	Should go into the General Fund

Total = 3,734.73
misc Rec#s 46034 - 46036



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SALARY SUPPLEMENTS DEPUTY LIST & AMOUNTS FROM TLETA GRANT

RICKY PAFFORD	\$1,000.00
ANTHONY SLYWKA	\$3,000.00
TREVOR MARANTO	\$2,500.00
TAYLOR MCDONALD	\$3,000.00
JEFFREY SMITH JR	\$3,000.00

Below are the details of the Airport Resolution for the July Commission meeting:

Airport Resolution in the amount of \$ 257,869.51

\$ 236,968.26 -Wortham Masonry Invoice – Terminal Renovation Grant

\$ 2,500.00 -A2H Engineering - Windsock & Beacon Panel Grant

\$ 3,845.25 -A2H Engineering -Terminal Renovation Grant

\$ 14,556.00 -A2H Engineering -Parking Lot Grant

Decrease: 189.47590 Other Federal Through State \$ 257,869.51

Increase: 189.91110.724 Site Development \$ 257,869.51



July 30, 2026

TO: Benton County Sheriff's Office

ATTN: Sheriff Kenny Christopher

RE: FY2026 SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER GRANT REPAYMENT

We have reviewed the Final Expenditures and Accounting Report for Benton County Sheriff's Office for the period of 07/01/2025-06/30/2026.

The total amount from the endowment grant owed back to the state is **\$30,117.76**.

A check for this amount should be sent to:

TN Department of Safety and Homeland Security

ATTN: Cashiering

1150 Foster Avenue

Nashville, TN 37243

If you have any questions, please e-mail TDOSHS_SROGrants@tn.gov.

Thank you.

Misty Walker

Homeland Security Grants Administrator

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Court Security

Critical Incident & Emergency Planning for Courts

Government buildings continue to be a target, just turn on the news! Courthouses and courtrooms are especially vulnerable targets due to the fact they are not only government facilities but also where our criminal justice system operates. With many potential targets utilizing the courthouse daily, including defendants, victims, family, domestic parties, judges, and numerous county officials, disruptions are on the rise.

Courthouse/courtroom incidents range from minor disruptions such as picketing to physical assault and even murder. Regardless of your experience, there is no assurance that violence will not happen in your court. The question is not "if it will happen but when?"

Course Objectives:

Violent Court Incidents/Case Studies – By examining in detail past court incidents and case studies, students will be able to begin the process of assessing their own courtroom, courthouse, parking lots, grounds, and current security systems and protocols.

Legal Issues of Courtroom/Courthouse Security – This session will cover case law in order to prepare each student with a working knowledge of what they "can" and "can't" do legally.

Overview of Courtroom Security – This session will cover and discuss profiles of those involved in courtroom/courthouse incidents, various stages of the proceeding in which incidents and disruptions are more likely to occur, and prepare the students with a background in statistics to better prepare them for potential incidents.

Daily Operational Concerns for Courtroom/Courthouse Security – By examining the "5 Elements of Courthouse/Courtroom Security" a foundation for security begins to develop with court security personnel, court tenants, policies and procedures, and the securing of the physical facility.

Prisoner/Defendant Security – This session will cover how to prepare for and minimize disruptions from in-custody defendants, transportation pitfalls, various restraints, communications, searches, juveniles, and a myriad of topics dealing with court appearances.

High Risk/Critical Situations – This session will be devoted to high-risk trials, sequestered juries, protests, and many other situations where there is time to prepare, implement and execute an appropriate plan to mitigate the risks.

Bomb Threats/Natural Disasters and Other Emergencies – There is the potential for a wide variety of emergency situations to arise at a courthouse, oftentimes with little or no warning. This session gives the students an overview of potential problems and prepares them with plans and procedures to implement to properly prepare for these types of emergency situations.

Sovereign Citizens – This session will give an overview to all students of the potential issues and the tactics used by sovereign citizens, from simple disruptions to dangerous life-threatening situations.

Courtroom/Courthouse Survey – This session will enable the students to return and complete a physical site survey of their courtroom/courthouse. They will receive a sample survey to utilize and/or modify to fit their individual setting. This will also be the basis for requesting additional resources and security personnel.

INSTRUCTOR

Rick Baker retired as a Lieutenant from the Putnam County Sheriff's Office in Cookeville, Tennessee. During his 27-year law enforcement career, he supervised Corrections, Patrol, Training, and SWAT operations, while also providing specialized training to agencies across the country. Rick has extensive experience teaching and lecturing for law enforcement professionals, including officers, court clerks, court officers, and elected officials. He has presented at numerous national and state conferences and has been called upon as an expert witness in several court cases. He holds a Bachelor of Science degree from Lee University and a Master's degree in Criminal Justice Management from Columbus University. Rick also maintains numerous instructor, training, and specialized certifications. Throughout his career, Rick has coordinated training programs including Academy instruction, Instructor Development, Ethics, and Leadership. He previously served as President of the Tennessee Law Enforcement Training Officers Association. Rick currently serves as the National Training Director for the Legal and Liability Risk Management Institute (LLRMI).

Seminar Agenda

Tuesday, September 22, 2026

- 8:00 – 8:30 am Registration
- 8:30 – 9:00 am Welcome
- 9:00 – 10:00 am History of Courts
- 10:00 – 11:00 am Legal Considerations of Court Security
- 11:00 am – 12:00 pm Constitutional Rights of Defendants
- Security for Defendants
 - Security for Juvenile Defendants
 - Responsible Parties for Court Security
 - Local Considerations
- 12:00 – 1:00 pm Lunch (On Your Own)
- 1:00 – 2:00 pm Courtroom and Courthouse Security Case Law
- Legal Restrictions
 - Legal Standards
- 2:00 – 3:00 pm Overview of Courtroom and Courthouse Security
- Court Security - Overcoming Negative Thinking
 - Complacent
 - Comfortable
 - Catastrophe
- 3:00 – 4:30 pm Court Security Definition
- Court Security Standards
- Standard Operating Procedures
 - Security Plan
 - Security Audits
 - Security Personnel & Staffing

Wednesday, September 23, 2026

- 8:00 – 9:00 am Court Security Requiring Court Orders
- 9:00 – 10:00 am Local Government Considerations
- 10:00 – 11:00 am Five Elements of Courtroom/Courthouse Security
- 11:00 am – 12:00 pm Types of Threats or Incidents
- Identifying the Threat
 - Assessing the Threat
 - Investigating the Threat
 - Managing the Threat
 - Aftermath and Dealing with the Threat – Incident Report
- 12:00 – 1:00 pm Lunch (On Your Own)
- 1:00 – 2:00 pm Tactical Approach to Areas of the Courtroom
- Danger Areas
 - Location of Attacks

Registration Form – Court Security: Critical Inc

Names of Attendees

1. _____
2. _____

Agency _____

Invoice To Attention of: (Must be completed.) _____

Address _____

City _____

Email _____

2:00 – 3:00 pm

- Times of Attack
- Where Attacks May Occur

Who Are Assailants

- How Assailants Attack
- Weapons Used in Attacks
- Motivation For Attacks
- Types of Cases When Attacks May Occur
- Characteristics of Attacks
- Attackers Intent

3:00 – 4:30 pm

Courthouse Security Equipment

Prisoner Transportation

- Handling Procedures for Inmates
- Handling Procedures for Transport of Inmates
- Handling Procedures for Juveniles

Thursday, September 24, 2026

8:00 am – 12:00 pm

Survey of Courthouse & Courtroom

- Elements of Security
- Physical Security
- Barriers of Security
- Perimeter Security
- Access to Facility Security
- Interior Security – Hallways, Stairwells and Roof Exits
- Courtroom Security – Bailiff vs Uniformed Officer, Role of Bailiff, and Roll of Uniformed Officer
- High Risk Proceedings
- Sequestered Juries
- Administrative Offices
- Judicial Chambers

12:00 – 1:00 pm

Lunch (On Your Own)

1:00 – 2:30 pm

Priorities of Courthouse Security

- Fundamental Priorities
- Critical Priorities
- Essential Priorities
- Important Priorities

2:30 – 3:30 pm

Initiating/Upgrading A Security Program For Your Courthouse

- Operations Plan
- Security Plan

3:30 – 4:30 pm

Implementation of Courthouse Security

- Problems
- Recommendations
- Costs
- Self-Assessments of Courthouse

4:30 pm

Certificate Presentation

Incident & Emergency Planning for Courts #17358

3. _____

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State _____

Zip _____

Phone _____

Fax _____

3 ways to Register

Register Online at www.llrmi.com

Fax Form to: 317-386-8228

Mail Form to: Legal and Liability Risk Management
700 N. Carr Rd., #595
Plainfield, Indiana 46168
Federal ID: 81-0692135



If you have any questions please call: 317-386-8325

❖PREPAYMENT IS NOT REQUIRED TO REGISTER❖

Upon receiving your registration we will send an Invoice to your department or agency.
Checks, claim forms, purchase orders should be made payable to LLRMI.

Seminar Title: Court Security
Seminar ID: #17358
Dates: September 22, 23 & 24, 2026
Registration Time: September 22, 2026, 8 am
Instructors: Rick Baker
Seminar Location: Innovation Center
735 East Main Street
Hendersonville, Tennessee 37075
Hotel Reservations: Holiday Inn Express Hendersonville
615 E. Main Street
Hendersonville, Tennessee 37075
1-615-824-0022
State Gov't Rate
Group Code: State Gov't Rate - Must show State Gov't ID
at check in to receive rate
Registration Fee: \$325.00
Court Security: Critical Incident & Emergency Planning
for Courts Training, **Printed Training Manual** and
Certificate of Completion



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Seminar for Court Officer Certification

Class/Course Name:

Court Security
Critical Incident & Emergency Planning
For Courts

Course Fee 325.00 per person

Participants:

Doyle Williams

Carl Hooper

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650⁰⁰

Course
Fee 650⁰⁰

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16⁰⁰ 40⁰⁰ 40⁰⁰ 40⁰⁰ = 136

136 X 2 = 272⁰⁰

Meals 272⁰⁰

Motel Costs

110 per night 3 nights 330

330

X 2

660

Motel 660⁰⁰

Subtotal 1582⁰⁰

113 miles X 2
226 miles

Submitted by:

Doyle Williams

Court Security Officer

**BENTON COUNTY COMMISSION
SPECIAL CALLED SESSION MEETING
AUGUST 4, 2026**

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT ON AUGUST 4, 2026, THAT THE BENTON COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS MET IN A SPECIAL CALLED SESSION AT THE
BENTON COUNTY COURTHOUSE @ 6:00 P.M.

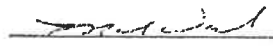
Opening of meeting was by Sheriff Kenny Christopher or Deputy

Invocation was led by Mike Nunnery and Pledge of Allegiance was led by Brett Burke

ROLL CALL BY COUNTY CLERK, Wanda Malin- 17 Present and 1 Absent (Sonny Hall)

ANNOUNCING OF QUORUM BY COUNTY CLERK, WANDA MALIN
APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion was made by Commissioner Kiehn and seconded by Commissioner Miller to approve agenda. On a voice vote 17 Ayes: 0 No; and 1 Absent: Motion Passed.


MARK WARD, COUNTY MAYOR


WANDA MALIN, COUNTY CLERK

AGENDA

- I. Opening of Meeting by Sheriff or his appointee
- II. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Roll Call by County Clerk or Chief Deputy
- IV. Announcing of Quorum by County Clerk, Wanda Malin
- V. Approval of Agenda
 - 1) A RESOLUTION making appropriations for the various funds, departments, institutions, offices and agencies of Benton County, Tennessee, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027. (20260804-01)
 - 2) A RESOLUTION fixing the Tax Levy in Benton County, Tennessee for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026. (20260804-02)
 - 3) A RESOLUTION making appropriations to non-profit charitable organizations of Benton County, Tennessee for the year beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027. (20260804-03)
 - 4) Adjourn

RESOLUTIONS

**A RESOLUTION MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE VARIOUS FUNDS, DEPARTMENTS,
INSTITUTIONS, OFFICES AND AGENCIES OF BENTON COUNTY, TENNESSEE, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR
BEGINNING JULY 1, 2026 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2027**

SECTION 1. BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee, assembled in special called session on the 4th day of August, 2026, that the amounts hereafter set out are hereby appropriated for the purpose of meeting the expenses of the various funds, departments, institutions, offices and agencies of Benton County, Tennessee, for the capital outlay, and for meeting the payment of principal and interest on the county's debt maturing during the year beginning July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027, according to the following schedule:

GENERAL FUND	
51100 County Commission	\$ 97,675
51210 Board of Equalization	2,415
51220 Beer Board	345
51240 Other Boards and Committees	3,070
51300 County Mayor/Executive	483,360
51400 County Attorney	40,000
51500 Election Commission	244,622
51600 Register of Deeds	238,344
51800 County Buildings	479,890
51900 Other General Administration	439,961
52300 Property Assessor's Office	279,726
52310 Reappraisal Program	5,700
52400 County Trustee's Office	296,385
52500 County Clerk's Office	387,798
53100 Circuit Court	371,313
53310 General Sessions Judge	216,538
53400 Chancery Court	232,308
53500 Juvenile Court	28,125
54110 Sheriff's Department	2,987,748
54160 Administration of the Sexual Offender Registry	4,900
54210 Jail	2,446,067
54240 Juvenile Services	92,617
54310 Fire Prevention and Control	2,000
54320 Rural Fire Protection	204,000
54420 Rescue Squad	22,500
54490 Other Emergency Management	77,466
54510 Inspection and Regulation	1,150
54610 County Coroner/Medical Examiner	85,989
55110 Local Health Center	55,633
55120 Rabies and Animal Control	208,188
55130 Ambulance/Emergency Medical Services	764,169
55710 Sanitation Management	66,472
55720 Sanitation Education/Information	48,008
56300 Senior Citizens Assistance	218,172
56500 Libraries	335,769
56700 Parks and Fair Boards	47,628
56900 Other Social, Cultural, and Recreational	7,800

57100 Agricultural Extension Service	113,064
57500 Soil Conservation	36,628
58120 Industrial Development	70,000
58190 Other Economic and Community Development	86,618
58220 Airport	264,668
58300 Veterans' Services	27,079
58400 Other Charges	187,493
58500 Contributions to Other Agencies	201,995
58600 Employee Benefits	853,264
Total General Fund	<u>\$ 13,364,658</u>

DRUG CONTROL FUND

54150 Drug Enforcement	\$ 24,000
58400 Other Charges	107
Total Drug Control Fund	<u>\$ 24,107</u>

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUND (RESORT DISTRICT)

58110 Tourism	\$ 238,308
58400 Other Charges	2,884
Total Other Special Revenue Fund (Resort District)	<u>\$ 241,192</u>

HIGHWAY/PUBLIC WORKS FUND

61000 Administration	\$ 277,141
62000 Highway and Bridge Maintenance	2,024,596
63100 Operation and Maintenance of Equipment	518,697
65000 Other Charges	100,000
66000 Employee Benefits	439,583
68000 Capital Outlay	320,000
Total Highway/Public Works Fund	<u>\$ 3,680,017</u>

GENERAL PURPOSE SCHOOL FUND

Instruction

71100 Regular Instruction Program	\$ 13,620,989
71200 Special Education Program	2,221,928
71300 Career and Technical Education Program	1,103,673

Support Services

72110 Attendance	116,828
72120 Health Services	561,972
72130 Other Student Support	572,904
72210 Regular Instruction Program	1,342,039
72220 Special Education Program	220,790
72230 Career and Technical Education Program	44,227
72250 Technology	362,094
72310 Board of Education	722,211
72320 Director of Schools	206,302
72410 Office of the Principal	1,496,875
72510 Fiscal Services	281,266
72610 Operation of Plant	2,071,279
72620 Maintenance of Plant	902,495
72710 Transportation	1,731,005

Operation of Non-Instructional Services

73300 Community Services	6,000
73400 Early Childhood Education	304,285
76100 Capital Outlay	410,000
82130 Debt Service	425,000
Total General Purpose School Fund	<u>\$ 28,724,162</u>

CENTRAL CAFETERIA FUND

73100 Food Service	<u>\$ 2,235,541</u>
Total Central Cafeteria Fund	<u>\$ 2,235,541</u>

GENERAL DEBT SERVICE FUND

82110 Principal - General Government	\$ 515,000
82130 Principal - Education	331,072
82210 Interest - General Government	81,467
82230 Interest - Education	39,683
82310 Other Debt Service - General Government	7,245
82330 Other Debt Service - Education	1,500
99000 Other Uses	1,720,903
Total General Debt Service Fund	<u>\$ 2,696,870</u>

GENERAL CAPITAL PROJECTS - 171

91110 Capital Projects-General Administration	\$ 960,537
91130 Capital Projects-Public Safety	109,250
91140 Capital Projects-Public Health and Welfare	1,750,000
99000 Other Uses	105,000
Total General Capital Projects-171	<u>\$ 2,924,787</u>

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/INDUSTRIAL PARK - 172

58400 Other Charges	\$ 100
91110 Capital Projects-General Administration	33,000
Total Community Development/Industrial Park	<u>\$ 33,100</u>

OTHER CAPITAL PROJECTS-178

91130 Capital Projects-Public Safety	164,720
Total Other Capital Projects-178	<u>\$ 164,720</u>

OTHER CAPITAL PROJECTS-AIRPORT - 189

91110 Capital Projects-General Administration	\$ 1,146,443
Total Other Capital Projects-Airport	<u>\$ 1,146,443</u>

SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the budget for the School Federal Projects Fund shall be the budget and all amendments approved for the separate projects within the fund by the Tennessee Department of Education and the Benton County Board of Education.

SECTION 3. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that there are also hereby appropriated certain portions of the commissions and fees for collecting taxes and licenses and for administering other funds which the Trustee, County Clerk, Circuit Court Clerk, Clerk and Master, Register, and the Sheriff and their officially authorized deputies and assistants may severally be entitled to receive under state laws heretofore or hereafter enacted. Expenditures out of commissions and/or fees collected by the Trustee, County Clerk, Circuit Court Clerk, Clerk and Master, Register and Sheriff may be made for such purposes and in such amounts as may be authorized by existing law or by valid order of any court having power to make such appropriations. Any excess commissions and/or fees collected over and above the expenditures duly and conclusively authorized shall be paid over to the Trustee and converted into the General Fund as provided by law. If any fee officials, as enumerated in Tennessee Code Annotated § 8-22-101, operate under provisions of Tennessee Code Annotated § 8-22-104, provisions of the preceding paragraph shall not apply to those particular officials.

SECTION 4. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any appropriations made by this resolution which cover the same purpose for which a specific appropriation is made by statute is made in lieu of, but not in addition to, said statutory appropriation. The salary, wages, or remuneration of each officer, employee, or agent of the county shall not be in excess of the amounts authorized by this resolution. Provided, however, that appropriations for such salaries, wages, or other remuneration hereby authorized shall in no case be construed as permitting expenditures for an office, agency, institution, division or department of the county in excess of the appropriation made herein for such appropriation shall constitute the limit to the expenditures of any office, agency, institution, division or department for the year ending June 30, 2027. The aggregate expenditures for any item of appropriation shall in no instance be more than the amount herein appropriated for such item.

SECTION 5. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any amendment to the budget shall be approved as provided in Section 5-9-407, Tennessee Code Annotated. One copy of each amendment shall be filed with the County Clerk, one copy with the Chairman of the Budget Committee, and one copy with each divisional or departmental head concerned. A description of the amendment, including its purpose and why it is needed during the current fiscal year; a statement disclosing the cost of the amendment by budget line item with subclassifications that shows each specific cost element, and the source of funding for the expenditure itemized by type must be included in the language of the amendment resolution. One copy of each amendment shall be submitted to the Comptroller's Division of Local Government Finance after its adoption. This section shall in no case whatsoever be construed as authorized transfer from one fund to another but shall apply solely to transfer within a certain fund.

SECTION 6. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any resolution which may hereafter be presented to the Board of County Commissioners providing for appropriations in addition to those made by this Budget Appropriation Resolution shall specifically provide sufficient revenue or other funds to be provided during the year in which the expenditure is to be made to meet such additional appropriation. There is hereby designated three million dollars (\$3,000,000) in current fund balances in the General Fund to be held in reserve in the General Fund from proceeds related to the sale of the hospital in addition to those amounts currently reserved for purposes. Any appropriations made from assigned balances shall hereafter be clearly stated and documented. Said appropriating resolution shall be submitted to and approved by the Comptroller's Division of Local Government Finance after its adoption as provided by Section § 9-21-406, Tennessee Code Annotated.

SECTION 7. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County is hereby authorized to borrow money on tax and revenue anticipation notes, provided such notes are first approved by the Comptroller's Division of Local Government Finance, to pay for the expenses herein authorized until the taxes and other revenue for the year 2026-2027 have been collected. The proceeds of loans for each individual fund shall not exceed 60% of the appropriations of each individual fund and shall be used only to pay the expenses and other requirements of the fund for which the loan is made. The loan shall be paid out of revenue from the fund for which money is borrowed. The notes evidencing the loans authorized under this section shall be issued under the applicable sections of Title 9, Chapter 21, Tennessee Code Annotated. Said notes shall be signed by the County Mayor and countersigned by the County Clerk and shall mature and be paid in full without renewal no later than June 30, 2027.

SECTION 8. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the delinquent County Property taxes for the year beginning July 1, 2026 and prior years and the interest and penalty thereon collected during the year ending June 30, 2027, shall be apportioned to the various county funds according to the subdivision of the tax levy for the year beginning July 1, 2026. The Clerk and Master and the Trustee are hereby authorized and directed to make such apportionment accordingly.

SECTION 9. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all unencumbered fund balances of appropriations remaining at the end of the fiscal year shall lapse and be of no further effect at the end of the year at June 30, 2027.

SECTION 10. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any resolution or part of a resolution which heretofore has been passed by the Board of County Commissioners which is in conflict with any provision in this resolution be and the same is hereby repealed.

SECTION 11. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall take effect from and after its passage and its provisions shall be in force from and after July 1, 2026. This resolution shall be spread upon the minutes of the Board of County Commissioners.

Passed this August 4, 2026.

Sponsored by: Budget Committee

Motion to Adopt: Keith Arnold

Second: Nicholas Horton

Votes:

Ayes: 12

Nays: 4

Pass: _____

Absent: 1

(Debbie Bain, Rocky Presson, Jerry Kiehn, Jerry Price)

Rosanne Ward, Chairman

Attest: Wanda Malin

Wanda Malin, County Clerk

******Chairman Rosanne K. Ward asked Sheriff Christopher to escort Commissioner Dwayne Fowler from the meeting at 7:18 p.m.******

Motion was made Commissioner Arnold and seconded by Commissioner Horton to approve Resolution No. 20260804-01. On a roll call vote 12 Ayes, 4 No (Bain, Presson, Kiehn, and Price), and 2 Absent. Motion Passed.

MARK WARD
MARK WARD, COUNTY MAYOR

Wanda Malin
WANDA MALIN, COUNTY CLERK

**RESOLUTION FIXING THE TAX LEVY IN
BENTON COUNTY, TENNESSEE
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2026**

SECTION 1. BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee, assembled in special called session on this 4th day of August, 2026, that the combined property tax rate for Benton County, Tennessee for the year beginning July 1, 2026, shall be \$1.7066 on each \$100 of taxable property, which is to provide revenues for each of the following funds and otherwise conform to the following levies:

<u>FUND</u>	<u>Rate</u>
General	\$ 1.0213
General Purpose School	0.4853
General Debt Service	0.1452
Highway Department	0.0512
General Capital Projects	0.0036
Total	<u>\$ 1.7066</u>

SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that there is hereby levied a gross receipts tax as provided by law. The proceeds of the gross receipts tax herein levied shall accrue to the General Fund.

SECTION 3. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that \$10,000 in interest earned on all County investments (excludes interest from Central Cafeteria, Trust Funds or Bond Proceeds) shall be deposited to Economic/Community Development Fund #172 and the remainder to the General Fund.

SECTION 4. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that funds received known as TVA Impact Funds shall be deposited into Fund # 171.

SECTION 5. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the first \$70,000 proceeds from the Litigation Tax for Jail, Workhouse, or Courthouse be deposited into the Debt Service Fund with the remainder into the General Fund.

SECTION 6. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the State Revenue Sharing-TVA Funds shall be distributed \$50,000 to Highway/Public Works Fund and the remainder to the General Fund.

SECTION 7. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Bank Excise Tax shall be deposited into the General Fund.

SECTION 8. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that revenues derived from the Tennessee River Resort District Act shall be divided equally between the General Fund and Fund #128 "Other Special Revenue Fund".

SECTION 9. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that In-Lieu of Taxes received from the Benton County Board of Public Utilities shall be distributed \$20,500 to the Highway/Public Works Fund and the remainder to the General Fund.

SECTION 10. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Contracted Prisoner Boarding shall be distributed 50% to Fund 178 and 50% to the General Fund.

SECTION 11. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Local Option Sales Tax revenues shall be distributed according to inter-local contracts and agreements. The County portion shall be deposited into the Debt Service Fund in the amount of \$550,000 with the remainder to the General Fund.

SECTION 12. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all revenues received In-Lieu of Taxes-TVA and In-Lieu of Taxes-Other shall be deposited into the General Fund.

SECTION 13. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Wholesale Beer Tax be deposited into the General Fund.

SECTION 14. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Hotel/Motel Tax be deposited into the General Fund.

SECTION 15. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mineral Severance Tax be deposited into the Highway/Public Works Fund.

SECTION 16. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that revenues derived from the Mixed Drink Tax shall be divided equally between the General Fund and Fund # 141 "School General Purpose Fund".

SECTION 17. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all resolutions of the Board of County Commissioners of Benton County, Tennessee, which are in conflict with this resolution are hereby repealed.

SECTION 18. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution take effect from and after its passage the public welfare requiring it. This resolution shall be spread upon the minutes of the Board of County Commissioners.

Passed this August 4, 2026.

Sponsored by: Budget Committee

Motion to Adopt: Arnold Second: Horton

Votes: Ayes: 16 Nays: 0 Pass: 0 Absent: 2

Rosanne Ward, Chairman

Attest: Wanda Malin
Wanda Malin, County Clerk

Motion was made by Commissioner Arnold and seconded by Commissioner Horton to approve Resolution No. 20260804-02. On a roll call vote 16 Ayes, 0 No, and 2 Absent. Motion Passed.

Mark Ward
MARK WARD, COUNTY MAYOR

Wanda Malin
WANDA MALIN, COUNTY CLERK

**RESOLUTION MAKING APPROPRIATIONS TO NON-PROFIT CHARITABLE
ORGANIZATIONS OF BENTON COUNTY, TENNESSEE
FOR THE YEAR BEGINNING July 1, 2026 AND ENDING June 30, 2027**

WHEREAS, Section 5-9-109, Tennessee Code Annotated, authorizes the Benton County Legislative Body to make appropriations to various nonprofit charitable organizations; and

WHEREAS, the Benton County Legislative Body recognizes the various nonprofit charitable organizations providing services in Benton County have great need of funds to carry on their nonprofit charitable work.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Benton County, on this the 15th day of July, 2026.

SECTION 1. That four hundred seventy four thousand eight hundred ninety five dollars (\$474,895) be appropriated to nonprofit organizations in Benton County as reflected below.

No.	Agency	Amount
101-58500-316	BENTON COUNTY VOLUNTEER PROGRAM	4,000.00
101-58500-316	VOCATIONAL TRAINING CENTER	74,147.00
101-58500-316	NORTHWEST TN DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT	5,098.00
101-58500-316	BIG SANDY SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER (SENIOR PROGRAM)	12,500.00
101-58500-316	WEST TN RIVER BASIN AUTHORITY	15,750.00
101-58500-316	CARL PERKINS CENTER	3,000.00
101-58500-316	HOPE CENTER	2,500.00
101-54310-316	FOREST SERVICE	2,000.00
101-54320-316	RURAL FIRE PROTECTION	
	EVA/RUSHINGS CREEK	30,000.00
	BIG SANDY	28,000.00
	CHALK LEVEL/DIVIDER	30,000.00
	MORRIS CHAPEL	28,000.00
	HOLLADAY/MCILLWAIN	30,000.00
	SOUTH 40	30,000.00
	SANDY RIVER	28,000.00
	TOTAL RURAL FIRE PROTECTION	204,000.00
101-54420-316	RESCUE SQUAD	22,500.00
101-55170-316	BENTON COUNTY DRUG ALLIANCE	4,000.00
101-55170-316	24TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT DRUG PROGRAM	20,200.00
101-55170-316	HOPE CENTER	20,200.00
101-58110-316	CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE	45,000.00
101-58120-316	INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD	40,000.00
	Total	<u>\$ 474,895.00</u>

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all appropriations enumerated in Section 1 above are subject to the following conditions:

1. That the non-profit charitable organization to which funds are appropriated shall file with the County Clerk and the disbursing official a copy of an annual report of its business affairs and transactions and the proposed use of the County's funds. Such annual report shall be prepared and certified by the Chief Financial Officer of such non-profit organization in accordance with Section 5-9-109(c), Tennessee Code Annotated.

2. That said funds must only be used by the named non-profit charitable organization in furtherance of their non-profit charitable purpose benefitting the general welfare of the residents of Benton County.

3. That it is the expressed interest of the County Commission of Benton County providing these funds to the above named non-profit charitable organizations to be fully in compliance with Section 5-9-109 of Tennessee Code Annotated and any and all other laws which may apply to County appropriations to non-profit organizations and so this appropriation is made subject to compliance with any and all of these laws and regulations.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall take effect from and after its passage and its provisions shall be in force from and after July 1, 2026. This resolution shall be spread upon the minutes of the Board of County Commissioners.

Passed this 4th day of August 2026.
Sponsored by: Budget Committee
Motion to Adopt: Arnold Second: Melton
Votes: Ayes: 16 Nays: _____ Pass: _____ Absent: 2

Rosanne Ward, Chairman

Attest: Wanda Malin
Wanda Malin, County Clerk

Motion was made by Commissioner Arnold and seconded by Commissioner Melton to approve Resolution No. 20260804-03. On a roll call vote 16 Ayes, 0 No, and 2 Absent. Motion Passed.

MARK WARD, COUNTY MAYOR

WANDA MALIN, COUNTY CLERK

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Commissioner Douglas and seconded by Commissioner Horton to adjourn the meeting. On a roll call vote 16 Ayes, 0 No, and 2 Absent. Motion Carries.

WANDA MALIN, COUNTY CLERK, DO CERTIFY THIS TO BE A TRUE AND COMPLETE COPY OF THE AUGUST 4, 2026, BENTON COUNTY SPECIAL CALLED SESSION MEETING.

COUNTY MAYOR, MARK WARD

COUNTY CLERK, WANDA MALIN